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Date of Sailing. 1905. Saturday. 2 P.M.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with.	Tons
22nd April	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
29th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
6th May	ARCADIA	6603	MOLDAVIA	9500
13th "	MACEDONIA	10512		
20th "	PENINSULAR	5294	VICTORIA	6022
27th "	ARABIA	7903		
3rd June	ARCADIA	6603	HIMALAYA	6898
10th "	PERSIA	7951		
17th "	PENINSULAR	5294	INDIA	7911
24th "	EGYPT	7912		
1st July	ARCADIA	6603	BRITANNIA	6525
8th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
15th "	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	9505
22nd "	ARCADIA	6603		
29th "	ORIENTAL	5284	MARMORA	10509

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VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,630	Fiaschi	13th July 1905.

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* † TRIESTE	Capt. D. Mistrorigo	5,095	9th June 1905.
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	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	
20	21 10	48 8	36 6	30 7	64 5	47 6	37 11	20
21	22 1	49 4	36 14	30 15	64 6	47 8	37 13	21
22	22 9	50 0	37 7	31 7	64 8	47 10	37 15	22
23	23 1	50 12	38 0	31 15	64 9	47 12	38 1	23
24	23 9	51 8	38 10	32 7	64 11	47 14	38 4	24
25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
26	24 11	53 2	39 15	33 9	64 15	48 2	38 10	26
27	25 5	54 0	40 10	34 2	65 1	48 6	38 14	27
28	25 15	54 14	41 5	34 12	65 4	48 9	39 2	28
29	26 9	55 13	42 1	35 6	65 7	48 12	39 6	29
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
31	27 15	57 13	43 10	36 11	65 13	49 4	40 0	31
32	28 11	58 14	44 7	37 6	66 0	49 8	40 6	32
33	29 8	59 15	45 4	38 2	66 4	49 13	40 12	33
34	30 6	61 1	46 2	38 15	66 8	50 2	41 3	34
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
36	32 5	63 8	48 0	40 10	67 2	50 14	42 2	36
37	33 5	64 12	49 0	41 9	67 8	51 5	42 11	37
38	34 6	66 1	50 1	42 8	67 14	51 13	43 5	38
39	35 8	67 6	51 3	43 9	68 4	52 5	43 15	39
40	36 11	68 12	52 5	44 9	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
41	38 0	70 3	53 8	45 11	69 3	53 8	45 6	41
42	39 6	71 11	54 12	46 14	69 12	54 2	46 4	42
43	40 13	73 4	56 1	48 2	70 6	55 0	47 3	43
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45	43 14	76 7	58 13	50 13	71 11	56 13	49 6	45

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To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.

To confirm the appointment, made by the Board, of Mr. R. M. Nissim as a Director.

To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

To elect an Auditor for the ensuing year and to fix his remuneration.

To transact any other business which may be brought forward.

And Notice is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th April to the 9th May, 1905, both days inclusive.

By Order,
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Bombay, 11th April, 1905.

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To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

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On MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 2 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:—

Furniture such as sofas, chairs, easychairs, dressing writing and wash hand tables cupboards, chest of drawers, round tables.

AT 2 P. M.

Several ladies' and gents' bicycles by different makers,
1 light rubber tyred victoria.
1 second-hand vis-a-vis.
1 light dog-cart.
1 strong built office shigram.
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

On TUESDAY, the 25th instant at 2 p.m. Messrs CRAWFORD & Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 3, Carnegy Road, Marine Lines, the valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture of the latest design such as dining table, chairs, sideboard, dumb waiters, drawing room suit of sofas and chairs, cabinet, marble-top tables and teapoys, bedsteads, almyrahs, marble-topped dressing and wash-hand tables, chest-of-drawers, rich crockery and glassware, best plated ware rich table ornaments, Hink's and Ditmar's lamps, Brussels carpets, &c., the property of Captain J. S. Swan.

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BONA-FIDE SALE.

On WEDNESDAY, the 26th Inst., at 1 p.m. Messrs CRAWFORD and Co will sell by Public Auction at No 17 Apollo Street, Fort, above Messrs F. A. Currim and Co, Ship Chandlers the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture including a suite of blackwood drawing-room furniture, plated ware crockery and glass ware, a Zanzibar talking parrot good linoleum carpet of extra strong thick quality brass standard lamp, &c, the property of C. HAMILTON Esq.

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On THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Nesbit Lane Mazagon opposite the Mazagon Police Courts, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood household furniture such as dining table, chairs, sideboard, dinner wagon, set of drawing room suit of sofas and chairs lined tapestry, Marble top table and teapoys, cabinets, chiffoniers, bedsteads, almyrahs, dressing and wash-hand tables mahogany square piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne, miniature billiard table with balls, singer's foot sewing machine, perambulator, Hink's and Ditmar's lamps, carpets, table ornaments etc the property of W. A. BLAKEMAN, Esq.

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On FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 2 p.m. Messrs CRAWFORD and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Gamdevi Road, Chowpatty, behind the Wilson College, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood household furniture, also several pieces by Devjee and Canjee and Roberts, such as dining table, sideboard, drawing room suit of sofas and chairs, lined, green plush, cabinet, bedsteads, almirah, lamps, pictures, glassware, crockeryware, plated ware, table ornaments, English clocks striking, coal and standard stoves, cottage piano, iron safe by John Lord, Persian carpets, garden pots, benches and chairs, English-built rubber tyred victoria by Laurie and Marner, Italian miniature rubber tyred mailphaeton, rubber tyred brougham, grey Arab horse, harness, etc., the property of CUMOODIN AMRODIN, Esq., proceeding to England.

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On SUNDAY, the 30th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co, are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Rose Cottage, Rose Cottage Lane, Mount Road, Mazagon, opposite the Hasan Abad, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood household furniture, dinning table, marble top sideboard drawing room suit of sofa and chairs, cabinet bedsteads, almirah marble topped dressing and wash hand tables, mahogany square piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne, glassware, crockery, platedware, table ornaments, lamp, English-built rubber tyred vis-a-vis, just newly done up with a pure bred Arab horse and harness Italian and Burman fowls, etc., the property of Mrs Laythorpe.

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Bombay, 21st April 1905.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, the following horses and carriages belonging to S. A. Nathan, Esq., proceeding to Europe—

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AT 4-30 P.M.

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LONDON, APRIL 19.

SECURITIES—		
3 1-2 per cent. Consols	£90 11-16	— 3-16
3 do. Rentes	£99 1-2	+ 1-4
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	£106 3-4	— 1-4
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£66 1-8	unchanged
SILVER—		
Spot in London	26 1-4	— 1-8
2 months hence	26 1-8	— 1-8
Spot in New York	56 7-8	— 1-4
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25'14 1-2	— 1-2
Berlin	20'48 1-4	— 1-2
New York Demand	4'86 1-4	unchanged
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	2 1-2 per cent	unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	2 per cent	do
3 " " Fine" Trade	2 1-8 per cent	do
Bills	2 3-8 per cent	do
3 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	2 3-4 per cent	do
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	1 1-2 per cent	— 1-8
7 day market loans	1 1-2 per cent	unchanged

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 15 1-8 = — 1-4 tone flat

RAPESEED—
Brown 36 sellers tone steady.

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 39 business done, tone strong.

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 7 5-8 = + 1-8

ARRIVALS—
Steamers—Arabia and Oceanien.

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 40,00,000

Rs. 19,90,000 were allotted to Calcutta
Rs. 8,30,000 do Bombay
Rs. 4,60,000 do Madras
32,70,000

At 1s. 3 31-32d.
Minimum rate received 17 per cent.
Telegraphic Transfers—
Rs. .... were allotted to Calcutta.
Rs. 5,80,000 do Bombay
Rs. 1,30,000 do Madras
7,30,000

At 1s. 4d.
Minimum rate received 17 per cent.
Total amount sold during the week Rs. 72,70,000
Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 40,00,000
Extra allotments Bills on Bombay, Rs. 10,000 at 1s. 4d.
Extra allotments Bills on Madras Rs. 20,000 at 1s 4d.

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quite, East Indian quiet, Manchester firm. Total sales 7,000 bales. Spot 4'19+2. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 6 13-16 unchanged. Sold on speculation and for Export 300 bales. Imports 12,000 bales. Futures closed steady.

April-May	May-June	June-July
4'02 —3	4'03 —2	4'05 —2
July-Aug. 4'07 —2	Aug.-Sept. 4'08 —2	Sep.-Oct. 4'10 —2
Oct.-Nov. 4'11 —2	Nov.-Dec 4'12 —2	Dec.-Jan. 4'13 —2

Receipts at U S Ports	32,000 bales
Do. last year	6,800 „
Exports to Great Britain	4,000 „
Do. do Continent	7,000 „

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	7'85 unchanged
Futures, month of July	7'33 a
Do. do. December	7'52 b

a Declined owing to weak cables.
b Declined owing to bear pressure and bulls unloading

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	75-16 unchanged
Futures, month of July	7'23—4
Do. do. October	7'34—5
Tone at close	quiet.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Wednesday, 19th April, 1905 :—

Cotton	10,683 bales
Wheat	18,290 cwts.
Linseed	15,561 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard	2,894 „
Gingellyseed	623 „
Poppyseed	2,393 „
Groundnuts	2,150 „
Castorseed	2,162 „
Rice	5,013 „
Myrabollams	1,660 „
Cottonseed	8,774 „
Mowraseed	34 „
Gram	653 „
Joowar	11,905 „
Maize	nil

COINAGE OF BRITISH INDIAN GOVT. COINS.

The following is the statement of Silver Operations at the Bombay Mint from 8th April to 15th April :—In Lakhs of Standard Tolas.

RECEIPTS—	
Purchased silver	12
Withdrawn and uncurrent coin from Treasuries, &c	2
Native States coin	...
Total	14
COINAGE—	
New Rupees delivered to Treasuries or Currency Department	1
New Rupees made over to Native States	...
Total	1
BALANCE OF BULLION AND COIN—	
New coin ready for delivery	4
Government Bullion	36
Currency Bullion	195*
Withdrawn and uncurrent coin	1
Total	236

COINAGE OF BRITISH DOLLARS.

Receipts of Bullion for Dollar Coinage	...
Dollars Coined and paid over	...
Closing Balance of Bullion	...

* Exclusive of 13 of purchased silver brought on the Mint premises, but not yet received.

BOMBAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 20.

COTTON.

Owing to the Easter Holidays commencing to-morrow, our report this week is dated Thursday, and consequently only five working days are included therein.

During the interval the chief feature of the American markets has been the sharp fall in prices on Friday last, advice of which was received here on Saturday morning. Spot Cotton in New York gave way 20 points, to 7'85a. and futures for July dropped 13 points to 7'36c. Since then, there have been daily fluctuations, but the net result to-day is that Spot remains unchanged at the above price, while July futures are 3 points lower at 7,330 Various causes are assigned by Reuter for this fall, but it is apparent that the heavy odds against maintaining values have been too much for the staple for the moments, and that the "bears" are having a turn, but a reaction may set in at any moment. Liverpool has not been affected to the extent anticipated by the slump in America, and Spot Cotton to-day is only 5 points lower than last week's closing rate, though futures have declined about 7 points all round. Manchester, as usual, continues firm.

Regarding the New Crop various reports are to hand about reduction in acreage, fertilizers etc., but nothing definite can yet be known. The lower the price, the less will be the acreage sown, as far ners will not plant for a large crop to be marketed at much reduction on present values. From Reuter's reports the weather appears to have been again rather unfavourable.

The following are the daily quotations for Spot Middling Americans in Liverpool and New York, since the last mail left :—

	Liverpool.	New York.
April 14th	4'24	7'85
„ 15th	4'18	7'85
„ 17th	4'18	7'85
„ 18th	4'17	7'85
„ 19th	4'19	7'85

The following are the daily quotations for futures in Liverpool, for April-May, and New York, for July :—

	Liverpool.	New York.
April 14th	4'06	7'36
„ 15th	4'02	7'40
„ 17th	4'03	7'32
„ 18th	4'04	7'38
„ 19th	4'02	7'33

The local market has been quiet but steady during the past week, and while prices for some descriptions are rather easier, high class and stapled cottons still maintain their values. At the commencement of the week the business passing was small, as buyers were inclined to await developments, but with fluctuating markets on the other side more disposition to operate became apparent, and the last day or so, exporters have done a good business in ready Cotton for this month's shipment. No doubt this is against previous sales as prices are far too high here to admit of new business at present. Had this market followed the drop in the Home markets, prices to-day should be Rs. 6 to 7 lower than last week's closing quotations, whereas to-day rates here are only Rs. 1 to Rs. 2 lower. Sellers are firm, and there is no indication at present of any pressure to unload. Mills have been buying quietly during the week, and the run, all round, has been on high class and stapled descriptions.

For New Crop "Suttas" rates are Rs. 2 lower at Rs. 2,14 for good M. G. Broach 15th-25th March 1906 and Rs. 170 for fully good Bengals 15th, 25th January 1906. Very little is doing in the bazaar, but "options" are attracting considerable attention, and a fair business is passing.

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales.
Receipts for the week	75,670
Receipts from 1st Oct to 19th April	1,852,381
Shipments for week to Europe	8,811
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports	48,804
Total	57,615

Total Shipments from 1st Oct. to 19th April.

Europe	247,586
Japan	454,749
China	20,695
Coast Ports	21,730
Total	7,447,60

Afloat in Harbour for Europe	9,267
China, Japan, and Coast Ports	11,165

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—quiet but steady.

Estimated sales	7,000 bales.
Imports	6,000

Apl.-May	May-June	June-July
4'01 —1	4'02 —1	4'04 —1
July-Aug. 4'06 —1	Aug.-Sept. 4'07 —1	Sept.-Oct. 4'09 —1
Oct.-Nov 4'10 —1	Nov.-Dec. 4'11 —1	Dec.-Jan. 4'12 —1

COTTON.—The market closes steady with a moderate enquiry from Exporters and Mills and prices are well maintained.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal (M.-G.) (Ry. terms)	163	151	...	25th April
Bengals, M. G Ry terms	167	157	...	
Sind-Punjab M G.	166	156	...	
Oomrawatee (despta) (M.-G.)	178	172	...	
Khandeish do.	...	166	160	
Jalgaon do.	...	168	162	
Khangaum fair staple (M-G) Karanja do. do do. Akola do. do. do	178	172	...	
Oomra, good staple (M.G.)	187	181	...	
Dhamangaum Pulgaum (M-G)	183	197	...	
Nagpore and Kampti do	190	184	...	
Broach (M.-G.)	201	198	195	
Dharwar (S.-G)	...	...	... 195	25th May
Westerns	...	...	... 184	„

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED—The market has ruled firm during the interval in sympathy with the advance in prices advised from Home and rates here have improved 4 to 5 annas per cwt. with a good business doing in the bazaar both for ready and forward. We close as under

RAPESEED—This market has been steadier since we last wrote and prices are slightly higher, with a small business passing.

POPPYSEED has been firmer with an advance of 2 annas per cwt. at which price there is a moderate business doing.

CASTORSEED is steady and unchanged.

GINGELLYSEED—This market has been very quiet with little or nothing doing. Arrivals are very small and stocks almost nil.

WHEAT—The market is steadier with more business doing and rates are rather firmer. We quote as below.

	Rs	a	p
LINSEED—Tone firm.			
Ready	6	12	0
Forward May Suttah	6	12	0
RAPESEED—Tone firm.			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready	6	5	0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	6	12	0
POPPYSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	7	3	0
Forward May new	7	4	0
CASTORSEED—Tone quite but steady.			
Ready	27	8	0
GINGELLYSEED.—Tone Prices nominal nothing doing			
Yellow Hinganghat	49	0	0
WHEAT.—Tone steady.			
White Delhi ready	4	9	9
Do. Do April-May	4	9	6

Week's arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay :—

Cotton	75,670 bales
Wheat	207,153 cwts
Linseed	110,910 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard	12,591 „
Gingelly seed	4 403 „
Poppyseed	8,633 „
Groundnuts	9 555 „
Castorseed	7 877 „
Rice	42 307 „
Myrabolams	10,269 „
Cottonseed	52,921 cwts
Mowraseed	427 „
Gram	6,317 „
Joowar	89,724 „
Maize	399 „

FREIGHTS.

During the past week the market has been dull and inactive, and there is little to report of interest. We quote ready 13s. to 13s. 6d. seeds, 14s. Cotton, May 13s. 6d., June 13s. 9d. and July-August 14s. p. p. with little doing.

The following fixtures are reported :—
s. s. "Clan Mackinnon" for May at 13s. 6d.
s. s. "Cromwell" for Antwerp, May at 13s. 3d.
s. s. "Clan Urquhart" April-May at 13s.
s. s. "Clan Colquhoun" April-May at 13s. 6d.
Market closes quiet.

MONEY.

BANK RATE,—

Bank of England since 9th	March	2 1-2	per cent
Bank of Bombay „ 14th	April	5	do
Bank of Bengal do	14th do	5	do
Bank of Madras do	15th do	6	do

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 15th April as compared with that of the previous week :—

LIABILITIES.

Public Deposits	Rs	5,79,309	Increase
Other Deposits	„	6,23,837	do.
Sundries	„	52,010	do.

ASSETS.

Government Securities	Rs.	2,05,989	Decrease
Other Authorized Securities	„	50,918	do.
Credits on Securities	„	1,57,327	Increase
Loans do.	„	46 323	do.
Bills discounted & purchased	„	10,58,047	Decrease
Balance with other Banks	„	3,57,580	Increase
Sundries	„	4,717	do.
Cash	„	20,35,255	do.

The Bank of Bombay Weekly Cash Balance is 20 lakhs up and the Bank rate remains unchanged at 5 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Bengal Weekly Cash Balance is 7 lakhs down and the Bank rate is unchanged at 5 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Madras Weekly Cash Balance is 4 lakhs up and on Saturday last the Bank rate was reduced to 6 per cent. per annum.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was 52'70 lakhs. At the periodical biddings on Wednesday last 40 lakhs was put up for tender, and of this amount 32'70 lakhs was taken in bills at 1s. 3 31/32d. and 7'30 lakhs in Telegraphic Transfers at 1s. 4d. tenderers at these rates receiving 17 per cent. These prices are the same as last week. During the week two small extra allotments were made of '40 lakh of bills on Madras at 1s. 4d. and to-day '40 lakh extras in bills were allotted at 1. 4d. For next week the amount advertised for sale is 40 lakhs.

The mail of the 7th April brings £210,000 silver, and £40,000 gold for Bombay and £7,000 silver for Hong Kong and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	40,50,000
Bombay	„	4,50,000
Madras	„	4,40,000
Total	Rs.	49,40,000

The mail of the 14th April brings £40,000 silver, and £100,000 gold for Bombay, and £40,000 silver and £30,000 gold for Calcutta, and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	34,50,000
Bombay	„	6,60,000
Madras	„	4,60,000
Total	Rs.	45,70,000

The mail of the 21st April brings £30,000 silver, and £80,000 gold for Bombay and £15,000 silver for Hong Kong and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	19,91,000
Bombay	„	8,30,000
Madras	„	5,30,000
Total	Rs.	33,50,000

EXCHANGE.

On Wednesday last the Secretary of State sold the 40 lakhs Council drafts offered at 1s. 3 31-32d. Demand and 1s. 4d. T. T., these rates being the same as last week.

The market has been very quiet during the week with little or no business passing. Sterling Exchange is quiet at 1s. 3 31-32d. T. T. and Demand up to the end of August. For September-October we quote 1s. 4d. T. T. and for November-December 1s. 4 1-32d. T. T. Bills can be placed at 1s. 4 1-8d. for 3 months' sight, but the general quotation is 1s. 4 5-32d. and 6 months' sight bills 1s. 4 7-32d. Francs are quoted 169 3-4 and Marks 138. The tone at the close is quiet,

Exchange—Tone quiet.

Bank T. T.	1s. 3 31-32d
Bank Demand	1s 3 31-32d
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight	1s. 4 5-32d. to 1s. 4 1-8d.
Do 6 do do	1s. 4 7-32d.
French Francs 3 do do	169 3-4
Marks 3 do do	138
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight	135
Shanghai 30 do do	189 1-2
Japan 30 do do	149

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The market has ruled steady during the interval, and the fluctuations have been but slight. A moderate business has been done, but no doubt the uncertainty regarding the naval developments in the Far East has caused a check on paper business for the time being. Money is cheap and it would take very little to cause an improvement in the tone of the market. At the close we quote as under in a steady market :—

3 1-2 per cent. cash	99-3
3 1-2 per cent. 1st May	99-2
3 per cent. ready	88-4

	Repayable	Rate	
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	1923	104	0
4 per cent „ „	1930	105	0
4 per cent „ „	1932	105	0
4 per cent „ „	1964	105	10
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	1934	104	8
4 per cent „ „	1943	104	8
5 per cent „ „	Tansa	120	
5 per cent „ „	Sanitary	117	
4 per cent Bo. Imp. Trust	1959	103	8
4 per cent „ „	1964	103	12

BULLION.

As usual silver has fluctuated during the week in sympathy with the London prices, which at one time showed a marked improvement, but the net result has been that quotations this evening mark little change from those of last week. The Up-country demand is about 70 bars per day. We close steady as follows :—

	Rs	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	23	15	6
Australian Bar Gold	24	0	3
Bombay do	21	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	2	8
Do, Dragons	15	0	0
Silver ex-duty Ready	66	13	0
Do, 1st settlement	66	15	0
Do, 2nd do.	67	3	0

PIECE GOODS.

Owing to the continued absence of demand from Up-country the market is quiet all round, and prices in some instances, have, declined slightly. There is very little enquiry for goods for forward delivery.

LOCAL YARNS.

The following telegrams have been received from China, since the last mail left :—

	Unsold.	Uncleared.	Weekly sales.
Shanghai	58,000	35,000	4,900
Hong Kong	31,000	24,000	2,500
	89,000	59,000	7,400

148,000 bales.

The local market is steady, and prices are unchanged. Sales are reported of 6,000 to 7,000 bales Yarn during the week.

METALS.

COPPER AND YELLOW METAL.—The market is quiet but steady and only a small business is reported.

IRON AND STEEL.—The market for Continental goods is declining owing to the reduction in freights, and dealers have stopped buying. G. C. Sheets are steady, but deliveries are not brisk.

SPELTER, PIGLEAD AND QUICKSILVER are quiet with little doing.

COALS.

In the early part of the week a better feeling existed on the part of purchasers to lay in their monsoon stock. In English coal the balance of about 1,000 tons South Yorkshire of April shipment changed hands at Rs. 13-8 per ton alongside. Enquiries have been made for Cardiff at Rs. 16 per ton, but sellers declined to operate, the reason probably being the recent landslips in one of the Welsh mines. A fairly good business has been done in ready Japan and Bengal coal and sales of about 1,000 tons of the former were made, April shipment, at Rs. 11. Quotations are unchanged.

SHARES.

Market is steady and improving. Bank of Bombay shares have gradually improved from Rs. 1,335 to Rs. 1,345. In Press Companies, Mofussils have advanced to Rs 560. New Berars have changed hands at Rs 515. Indian Cotton are quiet at Rs 147 1/2, Volkarts have changed hands at Rs 1,080 to Rs 1,085. Hingolees have improved to Rs 157 1/2. In Railway Companies, Tapti Valleys have improved to Rs 410 X. D. and Ahmedabad Prantej are steady at Rs 515. In miscellaneous list, Alcocks are unchanged at Rs 293, and Badham Piles, at Rs. 163, Bombay Burmahs have improved to Rs 8,400 and quarter shares to Rs 2,125, Bombay Flours are reported to have changed hands at Rs 700, Delhi Flours are quiet at Rs 170, Kemps are unchanged at Rs 248, Treachers are quiet at Rs 625, Bombay Telephones are unchanged at Rs. 29 1/2, Sparcks at Rs 138, Oriental Life have changed hands at Rs 142 Port Cannings at Rs 460, Soundy at Rs 25. In Mill shares, Alliance Cotton in the middle of the week were reported to have changed hands at Rs 170, and later on they have improved to Rs 180. Bombay Cotton have improved to Rs 555. Bombay United have changed hands at Rs 432 1/2 X D, Central Indias are steady at Rs 1,850, Chinas have ruled at and about Rs 785, Currimbhais at and about Rs 785, Connaughts have changed hands at Rs 500, Colaba Land and Mill shares at Rs 645, Coorla have improved to Rs 760, Davids are quiet at Rs 367 1/2, Empress have changed hands at Rs 287 1/4, Framji Petits are unchanged at Rs 985, Hindustan at Rs 630, Howard and Bullough at Rs 490, Imperials are unchanged at Rs 145, Indian Manufacturing at Rs 730, James Greaves are reported to have changed hands at Rs 415, Jamsheds have improved to Rs 156 1/4, Jewraj Balloo, are unchanged at Rs 415, Jubilee have ruled at and about Rs 430, Khandeish are unchanged at Rs 685 ; Khatau Makanji are unchanged at Rs 475, Leopolds have changed hands at Rs 100, Manockji Petits have improved to Rs 535, Morarji are unchanged at Rs 2,190, Sholahpurs at Rs 2,625, Queen have ruled at and about Rs 810, Ripon are weak at Rs 750, Sassoon Mill shares are unchanged at Rs 925, Southern Marathas are unchanged at Rs 200 Sun Mills have advanced to Rs 220, Standards are unchanged at Rs 680, Swadeshis have improved to Rs 1,260, Sasoon Silk are quiet at Rs 590, Western Indias are unchanged at Rs 580 to Rs 585, Kohinoors have ruled at and about Rs 597 1/2 to Rs 600, Luxmi Cotton have changed hands at Rs 200, Ahmedabad Advance have improved to Rs 680. The rest are unchanged at previous quotations.

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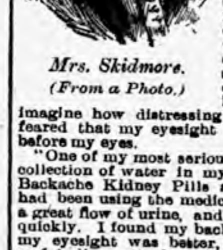

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The tenth valuation report by the Consulting Actuary states, The business of the Company has been, and continues to be developed in a remarkable way. The large and continuous increase in the volume of business betokens energy, enterprise, and efficiency on the part of the management. It has not been obtained by means of lavish expenditure. On the contrary, the ratio of expenses of management including commission and law charges, whether viewed in relation of contributions, to income or to amount assured, shows a tendency to decrease. In accordance with the Company's constitution the Directors are required to invest eighty per cent., of the funds in Indian Government Paper. In regard to this the Actuary refers to the very restricted powers of investment possessed by the Directors. Few Companies if any have powers so limited. There are securities of a high class yielding a better rate of interest, in which the funds of the Company might be safely invested. Many companies, even those which already possess much wider powers, have recently applied for and obtained still more extended powers : and it is suggested as has been formerly done by the late consulting actuary, that the Directors might with advantage seek from the proper authorities power to extend their too restricted field of investment.

A FEATURE of the Australian exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition will be a display of leather from the carcass of the gugong. The gugong is a fish which lives in Australian waters and its hide is three inches thick. The hide is valuable for heavy leather goods. The display will also show the commercial value of the platypus or duckbill, an animal with the body of a mole and the webbed feet and bill of a duck.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

FLEMING—April 12, at 2 Hungerford Place, Calcutta, the wife of J G S Fleming, of a son.

PRYCE—April 6, at Mhow, Central India, the wife of Captain H E ap Rhys Pryce, S & T Corps, of a son.

STOWELL—April 8, at "Ellerslie Villa, Simla, the wife of Chas J Stowell, Postal Department, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

D'SILVA—April 15, at Meerut, after a long illness, Frederick John D'Silva, Veterinary Inspector, Kashmir State, aged 31 years.

HENDERSON—April 12, at the General Hospital, Calcutta, H P Henderson, of Messrs Johnston and Hoffmann, aged 43 years.

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Easter holidays : Banks closed.
Moonlight Excursion from Apollo Bunder.

SUNDAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 38m. Sun sets. 6h. 19m. High water, 1-37m., 2-27a. Low water, 7-31m., 8-24a.

THE PARSEE ORPHANAGE.—Mr. and Mrs. Jeejeebhoy Edulji Moty, in pious memory of their deceased son, have contributed a sum of Rs. 3,000 to the funds of the Jamsetjee Nasarvanjee Petit Parsee Orphanage, situated at Parel.

CRIMINAL ASSAULT.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, committed one Fazul Ilahi to take his trial at the next Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court on a charge of committing a criminal assault on a Parsi lad, aged 14.

PENALTY FOR A MIDNIGHT VISIT.—Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Stenson charged Jaikoo Morarji, a Hindu lad, aged eighteen with house trespass. The evidence showed that the accused entered the room of his neighbour Dharamsey Ramji, about midnight last night. Dharamsey was at the time asleep on the road, while his wife was in the room. The accused shut the door from inside and would not allow the woman to open it when her husband knocked at it. The accused admitted the offence and was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 30.

A CASE OF TRESPASS.—Yesterday morning at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Morris charged Chandribai and Gangi, two Hindu women, with wilful trespass on private premises and also charged Puna Pershram and Tookaram Dhondi, a cook and "hamal" respectively, with aiding and abetting one another in the commission of the offence. The two last named accused had brought the women into the house of their master. The Magistrate in convicting all the accused, fined Nos. 1 and 2 Rs. 5 each with an alternative of eight days' rigorous imprisonment and the remaining two were fined Rs. 10 each, with the alternative of fifteen days' rigorous imprisonment.

RETIREMENT OF A EUROPEAN MERCHANT.—A meeting of the employes of Messrs. Volkart Brothers was held on the premises in Bank Street, on Wednesday evening, for the purpose of presenting an address to Mr. Brenvold, who retired after a service of twenty-two years in the firm, during which he had gained the esteem and good will of all who came in contact with him, especially when he was left in sole charge of the affairs of the firm in Bombay. Mr. Dinshah Dossajishan Nasikwalla read an address expressive of the men's sentiments of regard and esteem, to which Mr. Brenvold made a suitable reply ; and the proceedings ended with the distribution of flowers.

A JEWISH LITERARY MOVEMENT.

THE HEBREW IN IRELAND.

TO-DAY in London there exists a movement of an unobtrusive character, but one destined to make more than a passing mark on the literary calendar. On March 28th, at the Jews' College in Queen's square, before the Jewish Historical Society, Mr. Leon Hubner contributed a paper on "The Jews in Ireland. The Irish themselves, he said, were among the nations which had sought to identify their antiquities with the chosen people, and some writers traced the descent of the Irish people from Jacob. By far the most interesting theory was that, after the destruction of Jerusalem, the prophet Jermiah went to Egypt, and thence to Ireland—to Tara, or, as the Hebrew word suggested, Torah.

The earliest congregation of Jews in the Green Isle, dated from 1079, when five Jews came over the sea bearing gifts to Hugh O'Brian, the nature of the said donation not being duly specified. There was also a record that in 1225 Roger Bacon distributed among the small colony of Jews in Ireland sums of money, in connection with his mission on the King's service. It was at this date that a well-defined colony of Jews existed in Ireland, and later, under Henry III., it was ordained that all Jews shall 'be attentive and responsive to Peter, as in all things. At this period, Jews formed a settlement at Dublin, although the unsettled condition of the country prevented the presence of great numbers. In 1240, Henry III. desired money to subdue the Welsh insurrection, and the Jews of Wales incurred transportation to Ireland (1) in case of refusal to pay. Then a hiatus in the recorded Hibernian settlement of Jews occurred until the Commonwealth, when, as written documents show, a Jew in Meath purchased property still in the possession of his descendants.

Mr. Hubner considered that the origin of the present-day, Jewish settlement in Dublin was due to Cromwell, who gave an invitation to some Portuguese Jews who became leading merchants. The census of 1901 gave the number of Jews in Ireland 3,771, of whom 2,200 lived in Dublin, Belfast held 450 and Cork 400, though in the middle of the eighteenth century, the latter town had its Jewish synagogue. Daniel O'Connell wrote in 1829 a letter to a certain Goldschmid in favour of liberty for the Jews, and during the great famine the Jews of America sent over funds to meet the terrible distress.

Mr. Hubner's paper evoked a discussion in which Mr. Otto Jaffe ex-Lord Mayor of Belfast, took part.

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The steamer Flamingo, 2150 tons, Captain H Dunckley, will sail to-morrow for Calcutta in ballast.

The steamer Umsinga, 1894 tons, Captain J W Richards, arrived in harbour yesterday from Natal 5th April in ballast.

The City Line steamer City of Lucknow, 2370 tons, Captain R S Miller, will sail to-day for Karachi with the same bottom cargo.

The steamer Barenfels, 3574 tons, Captain Diedrichsen, will sail to-morrow for Hamburg and Bremen, via Karachi, with a general cargo.

The B I S N Co's steamer Dumra, 762 tons, Captain J V Le Grand, will sail to-day for Karachi via Cutch Mandvi, with a general cargo and passengers.

The B I S N Co's steamer Jumna, 2987 tons, Captain H L Parsons, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta and coast ports, with a general cargo and two deck passengers.

The B I S N Co's steamer Umta, 3192 tons, Captain F Lee, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon 5th April via coast ports, with a general cargo and 1 deck passenger.

The steamer Kassala, 2498 tons, Captain J Lemond, arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from New York 6th March via Karachi, with 125,000 cases kerosine oil and 1500 barrels lubricating oil.

The B I S N Co's steamer Dumra, 762 tons, Captain J V Le Grand, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi 17th April via Coast. Mandvi, with a general cargo. Mr Stephens, Mrs Thole, Master Thole, as cabin and 150 deck passengers.

The B I S N Co's s Lama, 910 tons Capt H Carey will sail to-day for Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo, the following passengers:—Mrs Thatcher and infant, Mr E W Bryant, Revd and Mrs Napier Malcolm, Mr C C James, Mr N F Palmr, Revd A S Crcenter, Messrs E Jackson, N F Giles, H S Smith, and Thatcher, two natives and 110 deck.

The following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd's steamer Imperatrix, Captain G Gozzo, from Trieste yesterday morning:—Col Angelo, Mr Bernardi, Mr Barness Revd and Mrs Ernst and infant, Mr L Fonda, Co. Hockinson, 3 Misses Kalberer, Mr Lacks, Captain and Mrs Mudge, Mr Oswald, Mr and Mrs Richter, Mr Rippel, Revd Steinstel, Revd Schlunning, Mr Sambeo, Mr S J Tellery, Revd Windhausen, Revd Wagner, Mr and Mrs Framji Nowroji Banaji and 2 children, Mr Pirojshah Palonji Pateli, Mr Masani, Mr Shitaram Chintaram, Mr Mahomed Khan Nurkhan, Mr and Mrs Rahimkhan and 3 children.

The Anchor Line steamer Olympia, 2,9 tons, Captain J F Osborne, will sail to-morrow for Marseilles and Liverpool, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs Frank Buckley, Mr Gay, Mr G H Godfrey and Capt James. For London—Mr Barclough, Mr Bacoe, Col Mrs and Miss W Bromfield, Mrs B Gough, Col and Mrs P M Carnegy, Mr Mrs and Miss Greenglass, Miss Mackichan, Miss Maxwell Mrs McDougall, Major and Mrs P L Saunders, Lieut Sydenham and Miss Taylor. For Liverpool—Mrs Arrindell, Mrs Braide, Mr Charlesworth Mrs W Cole and 3 children, Mr and Mrs C E Hall, Mr and Mrs Harrison and infant Mr and Mrs C Hudson and 4 children, Mrs M C Gowar and 3 children, Major Presby, Mr and Mrs Raper and child Capt. Safford, Miss F A Smith Mr and Mrs G A Thomas and infant, Mrs G W R Yeoman Mrs T P Lowman and infant and 53 deck.

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Three Torpedo Boats		

ARRIVALS.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
19	Kassala s	Lemond	New York, Mar 6
20	Umta s	Lee	Rangoon, April 5
	Imperatrix s	Ghezzo	Trieste, April 3
	Dumra s	LeGrand	Karachi, April 17
	Umsinga s	Richards	Natal, April 5
	Jumna s	Parsons	Calcutta, April 5

DEPARTURES.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
20	Silesia s	Stacoule	Trieste, &c
	Sultan s	Burmeister	Zanzibar, &c
	Nera s	Chevalier	Marseilles
	Riverdale s	Hay	Kobe

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday:—

Steamer Barenfels, Diedrichsen, for Hamburg, &c
" Dumra, LeGrand, for Karachi, &c
" Lama, Carey, for Persian Gulf
" City of Lucknow, Miller, Karachi
" Olympia, Osborne, for Liverpool, &c
" Flamingo, Dunckley, for Calcutta
Barque E A O'brien, Pratt, for Durban

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—

Steamer Nerbudda, for Persian Gulf
" Afghan, for Calcutta, &c
" Umsinga, for Antwerp and Port Said

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	From
12	Lonsdale	London
14	Clan Macleblan	Liverpool
15	Clan Ogilvy	Coast
15	Den of Ogil	London
17	Clan Campbell	Coast
17	Trifels	Antwerp

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, April 19th

The P and O Company's s s steamer Egypt with the homeward Mails of the 15th inst arrived here at 10 p.m. on Wednesday 19th inst.

SUEZ, April 20th

The P and O Company's steamer Macedonia with the outward Mails of the 14th inst left here at 10 a.m. Thursday 20th inst.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERREIS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, April 21, 1905.

1 Extract from Brigade Orders dated 20th April 1905 is published for information:—

No 605—Furlough and Leave.

2nd Lieut H R Rylands, Bombay Volunteer Rifles is granted leave of absence out of India from the 4th May to the 8th November 1905.

2 The Presidency Metal Competition will not take place on the 23rd instant as previously notified.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

DIVINE SERVICE.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 23.

WESLEYAN CHURCH
Colaba Causeway.

8 a.m.—Parade Service Preacher—Rev. C Ryder Smith B A.
6 p.m.—Evening Service Preacher—Rev C Ryder Smith B A.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
5-40 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.
8-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.
9-30 a.m.—Preacher—Rev C J Revnell.
6 p.m.—Preacher—Rev. A J Revnell
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
(Church of Scotland.)

8 a.m.—Joint Morning Service.
Psalm—121.
Hymn—53.
Hymn—61.
Hymn—189.
6 p. m.—Evening Service
Psalm—145.
Hymn—107.
Hymn—202.
Hymn—350.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.
There will be no Service.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.
GOOD FRIDAY.

7-45 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
6 p. m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Collections for Mission work among the Jews.

EASTER DAY.

7 a m—Holy Communion.
7-45 a m—Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.
4-30 p.m.—Service for the young
6 p.m.—Evensong Prayer and Sermon.
Collections for C M S Girls Boarding School,

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(The "Bombay Government Gazette," April 2 .)

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Privilege leave on full pay for one month from the 13th June 1905 is granted to the Honourable Mr Justice H F Aston I C S Barrister-at-Law, Judge of H M's High Court of Judicature, Bombay.

Under section 8 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act 1897 the Govr in Council is pleased to specially empower Mr Naranbhai Lallubhai Desai Huzur Deputy Collector and Magis. of the First Class in the district of Kaira to exercise the powers contemplated in section 8 (1) of the Act.

The Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Capt TX Britten 110th Mahratta Light Infy to be Cantonment Magis. Bhuj in addition to his military duties and to direct that he shall exercise the powers of a Small Cause Court Judge as described in the Provincial Small Cause Courts Act 1887 within the limits of the Military Cantonment of Bhuj.

H E in Council is further pleased to appoint Capt Britten under section 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 to be a Magis. of the First Class within the limits of the Military Cantonment of Bhuj.

The undermentioned officers are appointed under section 15 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 to be Magis. of the Second Class in the district of Ratnagiri:—Azam V G Masurkar Mahalkari petha Gubagar; Azam V R Pethe Head Karkun, taluka Chiplon; Azam R B Nimkar Head Karkun taluka Khed.

In continuation of the Notifications the Govr in Council is pleased to make the following appointments with effect from the commencement of the extraordinary leave without allowances granted (Vide Govt Notification No 266 dated the 24 Jan 1905) to Mr E Wilkin Judge of the Court of Small Causes Karachi and pending further orders; Mr A E Cumming to be subst ntive pro tem Judge of the Court of Small Causes Karachi, Mr E Sands to be substantive pro tem City Magis. Karachi.

Under the provisions of Govt Circulars No 3233 dated the 29th May 1893 Mr R S Tipnis B A, LL B Bom. Judge and Sessions Judge Thana is appointed in addition to his own duties an Additional Sessions Judge in the Nasik Sessions Division under section 9 (4) of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 to exercise jurisdiction in the Nasik Court of Session with effect from the 1st May during the ensuing annual vacation of the Civil Courts in the Nasik District and under section 193 (2) of the same Code to try all cases committed and hear all appeals presented to the Court of Sessions during such vacation.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Capt E G S Trotter 102nd Prince of Wales's Own Grenadiers to hold charge of the office of Asst Political Resident at Perim in addition to his military duties with effect from the 18th Dec 1904 pending further orders.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to make the following appointments—Mr J G Knight M.Sc to be Professor of Agriculture, Mr G A Gammie to be Economic Botanist.

Mr J B Knight M Sc, Professor of Agriculture is granted privilege leave of absence for six weeks.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr L J Mountford I C S to be on special duty for the acquisition of the lands and properties required for the Bombay Port Trust new Railway and in connection with the trade of the Port at Mazagon.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr A M Macmillan I C S to be Assist Collector Kolaba.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

The following order of the Genl officer Commanding Bombay Brigade No 666 dated the 17th April is published—Furlough and Leave—Officers—Capt Bertram Henry Hewett Bombay Volunteer Rifles is granted leave of absence out of India from the 19th April to the 17th Oct 1905 inclusive.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1905.

THE NATURAL HISTORY JOURNAL.

THE new number of the Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society contains several articles of more than average interest. Foremost of these is one by Captain W. G. Liston, I.M.S.—a reproduction of the paper he read before the Society in November last—on "Plague Rats and Fleas." Although, as Captain Liston says, the paper might have been more suitable for a medical gathering, any ray of light shed into the darkness which surrounds the ætiology of plague should not be confined to the medical world, but be cast upon the people that they may, perhaps, be enabled thereby to grope their way through the darkness to a place of safety. For this very reason we could wish that the text of the paper had been distributed broadcast among the people instead of being read to the comparatively handful of persons, who assemble at the meetings of the Society. In the "Bagavathi Purana" the people are advised, at the moment the rats fall from the roof above, jump about and die, to leave their homes, with their friends and relations and to live in the plains. And in Kumaon, where the disease has been known for long, the experience of the inhabitants has taught them that, when rats die, it is time to quit their homes for the jungle to save themselves from plague. It is stated in a report on the outbreak of 1834-5 that the appearance of the disease in a village had been observed to be preceded by the mortality among the rats of the village, and coming to more modern times. Dr. Hankin, in reviewing the various circumstances that produced plague in Bombay, observed that the incidence of plague in localities and houses was in relation to their accessibility to rats rather than to filth, overcrowding etc. It is absolutely certain, says Captain Liston, that rats are the most important factor in the spread of plague. Rats live in colonies which have little communication with one another. The flea communicates between them, and between them and human beings. Hunger causes the rat flea to attack man, and fleas, which have been entertained by a plague-stricken rat and are, at the death of their host, denied further hospitality, seek shelter on the nearest source of nourishment and by this means the disease is conveyed from rat to man.

Another paper which deserves notice is that by Father Blatter, S. J., on the flora and fauna of our metallic currency. Father Blatter, at first, directed attention to current coins with a special view to the discovery of plague bacilli. None were found, but he succeeded in discovering a great variety of things belonging both to the animal and vegetable kingdom as well as to the organic world. He began by scratching a small particle from the surface of a coin. Upon using a microscopic power of 525, he could easily detect small portions of hair, and with a higher power, 1,000, he found parasitic fungi, silk, cotton and wool. Later, he found stellate hairs of a plant belonging to the order of Solanaceæ, glandular hairs of one of the Labiatæ, sporangia without spores of a fern belonging to the Polypodiaceæ, small particles of wool of a dicotyledonous stem, a tangential-longitudinal section of the stem of a grass, macerated to such an extent as to be wholly transparent. The greatest portion of the surface material consisted of exceedingly small particles of mostly organic origin, which were obviously in a state of decomposition and did not give, therefore, any possibility of identification. There were microscopical organisms of various colour, shape and size. A strong magnifying power showed globular cells, mostly isolated, but sometimes united into small groups. All these things and others are scientifically described by Father Blatter. The greatest part of all the matter detected on money and found after immersion in sterilised water, as the chief constitutent of the sedimentary layer, was dust, microscopic and ultra-microscopic bodies of inorganic origin. Of only a small number of minerals the crystallographic characters could be recognised by means of the polarising microscope and by the application of re-agents. Some coins did not exhibit the actual presence of life at all. Father Blatter does not wholly endorse the statement of Dr. Dhurandhar that, while all other currencies swarm with germs, none are found on copper coins. He says that the statement, so far as his experience goes, does not agree with facts, as the organisms, he mentions, were seen not only on silver coins but also on copper. The only difference was that the plants and animals detected on copper were devoid of life, whilst those on silver coins, in most cases, were animated.

New shells, new snakes, new fishes and new mosquitoes are all in turn described in the Journal and to them are added notes on a large variety of subjects. Some of these are of interest to the naturalist rather than to the general reader. But the latter will find the article on snakes at Cannanore attract him. An extremely common snake is the Eryx Conicus. It is uninteresting, sluggish and refuses food. It will sometimes snap at an offender, but as often as not takes no notice of him, and will even refuse to retract its nose from the glass of its cage when drummed against. It is courageous and strong however, and though only a small snake, will attack and kill by crushing a full grown squirrel. Its movements are slow and it will not hurry; while, if worried, will merely coil up or try to press itself into the ground. A different reptile is the Zamenis Mucosus. When caged it will hurl itself against the glass in its efforts to bite the spectator. In its outbursts of anger it emits a peculiar noise, different from that of any other snake, and resembling the scolding noise made by cats, when brought to bay. Coincident with this remarkable sound, and probably in some way concerned in its production, the neck and upper body for some inches were markedly compressed and the throat pouched. The snake is active and always very swift in its movements. The Dipsadomorphus Trigonata is almost as formidable as its name. It coils itself before striking in almost as many loops as it has syllables in its cognomen, rising from the ground and strikes out vigorously under provocation. In captivity it rests on branches coiled as if on the ground, unlike all other tree snakes, the writer, Capt. Wall, has ever seen. The Enhydrina Valakadyen is common near the sea-shore at all seasons of the year. It is of a peaceful disposition and could not be excited to strike at or bite any offending individual, and none of the soldiers and others who habitually bathe in the sea, where they are very plentiful, were ever bitten. Different snakes have different temperaments. But we doubt if there is any one of them which has really a good time and has not reason to regret that its great forebear ever met our mother Eve.

THE PLAGUE IN BOMBAY.

AFTER a sharp decline, the plague mortality in Bombay has suddenly gone up. A fortnight ago, the returns showed 681 deaths for seven days. Last week, the record rose to 765 and this week we have 979 for the seven days ended on Tuesday. There has been an increase of 214 in the mortality as compared with the previous week, and this at a season of the year when experience has led us to expect a steady and well marked decline of the epidemic. The latest figures are 346 worse than those of the corresponding period of last year. Whether this be or be not merely a temporary rise preliminary to the characteristic fall, it is a forcible reminder of the appositeness of an immediate consideration of the measures to be taken in view of the next plague season. Dr. Turner's scheme for popularising inoculation does not commend itself to Government, but there is no reason why employers of labour, to whom the ravages of plague represent a serious diminution of productive power, should not combine to make inoculation acceptable to the people. Dr. Turner proposed that Government should guarantee a hundred rupees to the relatives of persons who died from plague within twelve months of inoculation. If that is not a proposal that Government could accept, it is still less open to the Municipality to offer pecuniary inducements to the people to be inoculated. But there is nothing to prevent private individuals and wealthy firms establishing an insurance fund with the object of inducing their employes to accept the only protection against plague that is available. The arrival of a period of prosperity has had the satisfactory result of turning the minds of Bombay millowners to the condition of their workpeople. We have a suggestion for a Provident Fund to provide bonuses and compensation for injuries, a suggestion for increased wages and a hint towards the adoption of shorter hours. The long hours undoubtedly have their effect in lowering the physique and vitality of the workers, but it is doubtful if any satisfactory agreement on a reduction of hours will be obtained without Government intervention. The effects of plague on the labour market are, however, clear to all. Mr. Sassoon J. David says it is the worst difficulty millowners have to contend with in regard to their operatives. There is no industry that does not suffer from the same cause. In the best of conditions skilled labour is not so plentiful that losses can be easily replaced; and in the mill industry they have to be replaced by workers who have still to be trained. The Chairman of the Millowners' Association, therefore, asks his brother employers to consider means of persuading the operatives to submit to inoculation. Compulsion is out of the question, but he suggests that substantial inducements be offered them. Presumably the inducements would follow the lines already indicated by Dr. Turner. But we do not find that, with the exception of Mr. Proctor, any of the members of the Millowners' Association responded to the Chairman's suggestion. Probably, the preliminary preparation of speeches was responsible for the neglect in most cases. Mr. D.E. Wacha, however, frankly condemned the idea of pecuniary inducement, originated by the Health Officer, as foredoomed to failure. And we think he is right. To restore public confidence in the plague prophylactic there must be a campaign of education. After the fears of the people have been removed an appeal to their cupidity may be successful, if a satisfactory system of bribery can be devised.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

IF we had had a strong Governor at the time of the death of Queen Victoria, Bombay would have had a museum to commemorate her great and glorious reign. Instead of that, we sent money across the country to help to build an enormous architectural pile in Calcutta. More money would have been raised then than was the case, if it had been meant for Bombay's own especial use. The occasion, too, made more emphatic claims upon us than the one it is now sought to commemorate. It is well known that Lord Lamington would like to see us with a museum such as would do us credit and when the suggestion was put forward by Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, the other evening, it was recognized that this was the form of memorial which would be most acceptable to his Excellency. But Lieut-Colonel Collie makes a suggestion which we would commend to the Committee. It is one that embraces the museum, but goes much further and, undoubtedly, in the right direction. It is that the building shall include an assembly hall, a public library and art gallery, the whole to stand upon the so-called Crescent site. The suggestion is on all fours with one we proposed to make ourselves. But the two and a half lakhs, which is said to be earmarked for the purpose, will do little more than pay for the plans and lay the foundations of such a building as will be required. The Committee will have to work hard and the public will need to respond magnanimously if they desire to carry it through. It may be considered that the scheme is too extensive to be undertaken all at once. If Bombay's wealthy citizens cannot raise a fund sufficient to carry it out, in its entirety, it does not speak well for them. But there is no adequate reason why Government should not give the plot. For the suggestion that the Ladies' Committee should devote their energies towards placing the nursing of our hospitals on a sound financial basis, there is much to be said, but the present is hardly the time to appeal to the public on behalf of hospitals. The atmosphere is a little too thick just now. It must get clearer before anything can be expected in this direction. Besides, it is the duty of Government and municipalities to provide hospitals and, that done, they should see that they are properly equipped and manned. Private benevolence may, of course, be appropriately directed to the improvement of these institutions, but hospitals which are administered by Government officers should be kept efficient by Government. We should hesitate before recommending private persons to relieve public bodies of their responsibilities.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN MEXICO

THE number of concessions and developments of recent date is the best proof that could be cited of the fact that the industrial progress of Mexico goes on at an ever increasing pace. The conditions in the manufacturing industry are no less satisfactory than in the mining. The management of an undertaking established at Tabasco has applied to the Secretary of Fomento for permission to utilise certain waterfalls in connection with a scheme to supply electricity to the tramways of San Juan Bautista, and several industrial undertakings. The Company owning the tramways between Merida and Ucu is extending its lines to Hunucma. The commission of engineers, who are carrying out certain preliminary works in connection with the railway which is to traverse the rich borders of the Yagin River in the State of Sonora, have reached the place called Cruz de Piedra. It is expected the railway will be completed by the end of 1906. The Monterey Iron and Steel Foundry, in whose vast workshops, anything can now be manufactured, from the smallest and finest machinery for any industry up to a railway locomotive and where are now to be seen enormous stocks of structural iron and steel are succeeding so well that it is thought, in a short time, it will not be necessary to buy rails or other railway equipment from abroad. The textile industries of Mexico likewise are making satisfactory progress, and in every direction there is a great industrial future before the country.

A MARBLE bust of the late Dr. Thomas Blaney presented by the Blaney Memorial Committee, has been placed in the Bombay Corporation Hall.

AMONG the passengers who sailed yesterday in the Messageries Maritimes s. s. Nera were Monsieur L. Vossion, French Consul, and Madame Vossion. General B. R. Adams, Major General D. Haig and Major General J. Spens.

MR. MILLER, C. S. Superintendent of Mandi, State, who was severely injured in the earthquake and who rescued the young Raja of Mandi from his wrecked house at Palampur, is out and about again. He had fractured ribs and other injuries, so his complete recovery will take some time.

A DETAILED account of the earthquake in Kangra given by a Special Correspondent shows that literally not a stone has been left standing at this centre of the disturbance, and in the convulsion have perished the historic temple of Nagarkot and the hardly less historic Fort.

IT is notified that the 22nd May has been fixed at the date up to which the names of candidates for recommendation by the District Local Boards of the Southern Division for nomination as an Additional Member of the Council of his Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations will be received.

KAMRANH BAY, where the Russian fleet is now is a fine natural harbour on the convex curve of the Cochin China coast in Latitude 12° N. It is not a place of any considerable trade, but all the war ships now in the Pacific could find anchorage there, and there is Saigon close round the corner from which stores and supplies of all sorts are available in abundance.

THE Rawalpindi correspondent of the Lahore paper writes:—"When I foretold" (as related in an Occasional Note in our issue of the 10th instant) "that we should soon hear of violent seismic disturbances, I little thought that my forecast would prove true on the very day after I had written that article. I have made another forecast, working on the Clement's theory, and it is that between the 11th and 14th May a severe storm, also accompanied by seismic disturbances, will visit the Western Himalayas."

THERE are many indications just now which point to Russian activity and intrigue in Central Asia, and a careful watch will need to be kept upon any "diversions" which may be got up there. It is freely asserted that the Governor of Samarkand has called upon the local Christians to practice rifle-shooting, in view "of future self-defence" and that this rifle-practice is being conducted by Russian officers in all the leading centres of Turkestan.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending April 18th was 1,734, giving a death-rate of 116·19 per annum per thousand as against 80·21 the corresponding period of last year and 108·68 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 42 died from fevers; 979, plague; 95, small-pox; 21, measles; 0, cholera; 2, leprosy; 53, phthisis; 33, diseases of the nervous system; 2:6, affections of the respiratory organs; 41, diarrhœa; 9, dysentery; 42, still-born; 126, old age and debility; 10, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 97; Brahmin, 69; Lingaet, 7; Bhattia, 10; Hindu of other caste, 990; Hindu low caste, 188; Musalman, 285; Parsee, 30; Jew, 5; Native Christian, 47; Eurasian, 3; European, 3, Negro-African, 0; Buddhist; 0, other and unknown castes, 0. The total number of births was 312 as against 334 the corresponding period of last year, and 255 the average over the past five years.

AN electrical apparatus for stamping glass tumblers, invented by a Liverpool official, enables one man to stamp 1,800 glasses an hour, while by the old system, two men could only turn out between them about 360 per hour.

PLANS and specifications have been prepared in Philadelphia for an operation of 960 model dwellings to be erected at Bethlehem, Pa., to cost in the neighbourhood of dols. 1,500,000. The recent award of large contracts for armor plate to the Bethlehem Steel Company is responsible for this. The plans show two-story brickhouses with porch fronts and the latest dwelling equipments. Each dwelling will measure 15 by 40 feet and will contain seven rooms. About 5,000 additional men will be employed by the steel works when the new buildings are completed.

AN interesting brochure published by Swift & Co., the Chicago packers, says Printers' Ink, gives statistics of the past year's business. The total sales for the year aggregated over dols. 200,00,000 representing shipments of 350 carloads daily. In a single day were slaughtered in the company's seven packing plants 11,875 cattle, 15,553 sheep and 34,562 hogs. Over 8,250,000 head of live stock were slaughtered in the twelvemonth. A quarter million of visitors inspected the plants, 4,279,080 letters and 1,388,100 telegrams were sent and received, and the products of the company were distributed through wholesale houses in over 300 cities in the United States. Swift & Co. now sell eggs, butter and poultry, the latter being specially fed at poultry stations, killed and dressed for the table and sold with a trade-marked tag attached, denoting high quality.

"SANDOW'S MAGAZINE" has an interesting little article on the use of the lasso as a form of athletics novel to Europe. Even in America, the art and practice of rope spinning, or expert lariat manipulation; is quite of recent introduction, and is the invention of one Orapasco, a Mexican cowboy. This form of sport is now the chief feature at all country fairs in the Wild West. Col. W. F. Cody was the first to introduce rope spinning to notice in Europe. In 1903-4, he included an exhibition of this difficult performance at each presentation of his Wild West Show. Cowboys are remarkably clever in all matters pertaining to horsemanship and the use of the lasso. The latter is employed in their daily work and play the use of it being practically unlimited. It is more often necessary to capture than to kill, and this is the raison d'etre of a high standard of efficiency in the use of the lariat.

THE Comtesse de Beaulaincourt de Mailet, who has lately died, was born De Castellane, and was left the literary executrix of her father, the eccentric and caustic Marshal. She has bequeathed his "Journal," and his "Memoires et Bagatelles sur Mon Temps," to the Paris National Library; but with the proviso that they are not to see the light for fifty years from the date of her will, September 14 1903. A vast amount of curiosity will thus be disappointed and perhaps, on the whole, it is just as well that this is to be so. The Marshal de Castellane was a commentator who did not trouble overmuch about the ruffling of susceptibilities; and in the course of his life, and conversation, his natural proclivities were allowed to assert themselves without much reference to other people. They used to tell a typical story about him when he had a district-command, somewhere in the West. The victim was a superior regimental officer. The Marshal, as was his wont, called so early, and so unexpectedly, one morning, that the officer was fain to receive his visitor in his dressing-gown. Of course, he apologised. The Marshal bade him not mind, and stayed in amicable conversation for some time. When he rose to go, the officer naturally considered himself bound to show his distinguished visitor downstairs, and into the street. And the moment the Marshal was in the street he put the other under arrest for appearing in public out of uniform.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

THE SYSTEM, by Percy White (Methuen) is an entertaining story of a young enthusiast, Carey Butler, the eldest son of a sporting English Squire, who thought the world dull and blind and longed to rouse it to the right ideals and bring it to the goal of pure reason. Naturally his family were distracted when he began to develop the methods by which he meant to accomplish his unselfish aim. His cricketing younger brother was unmoved by all Carey's fine visions, and his sister cleverly combated his desire to do the impossible. She was quite as talented Carey, but possessed besides both humour and common sense. "Margaret Butler's mind was neatly in perspective with things; Carey seemed to live in a Chinese landscape," pithily describes the attitudes of the brother and sister. Carey first tried local politics, siding with a rough and violent demagogue; his failure on this occasion, even to get a hearing, only convinced him that the world required much vigorous teaching. His respectable Tory father could not look forward peacefully to the succession of such a fiery Radical to the family acres and made up his mind not to leave Harefield to Carey "to play the fool with." He proposed to the young enthusiast that he should give up his views and remain heir to the Hall or:—"Leave tub-thumping, radical agitating, the new rationalists and their fad-hunting, and give me your promise to take reasonable views in politics—I don't mind a little unobtrusive liberalism—or else I must leave the Hall to Dick," said this shocked parent. Carey was not likely to sell his intellectual birthright for the other kind, and he agreed to let Dick have the Hall, while he was left free to live his own life. The next thing he did was to start a newspaper on lines that he thought would teach the world to be better all round. In this he was helped by another ardent, but wealthy, visionary who let Carey take all the trouble and drew cheques for the not inconsiderable expenditure. Before long the philosopher was in serious difficulties with the authorities which resulted in two months' detention in a gloomy London prison. When he was free he found the newspaper had been sold, and his occupation gone. His friends did not abandon him, however, and he indulged in a new idea to establish and run a school which would contain none of "the absurdities of the English Educational System," but be consonant with the views of "The Rational Thought Society." Here he came to hopeless grief, but his experiences brought some glimmering of wisdom and taught him that pursuing high ideals did not necessarily mean fighting windmills. Margaret Butler is a person with whom the reader is bound to be in sympathy. Her managing ways are toned down by her skill and good nature. Connie Dale, her friend, is a heartless but clever young woman, who drops the elder brother without a pang the moment she finds that Mr. Butler, senior, has changed his will. Her character is well worked out from her first appearance to her last, so is Marion Deacon's. In fact all the men and women here are perfectly natural and as consistent as human beings are ordinarily in real life. Their conversation is full of point, perhaps, a little more clever than most people can indulge in. The school-boys, who are subjected to Carey Butler's "System" are almost too smart in their comprehension of his design. But then they were a selected band, and had not been brought up on conventional lines. "The System" is both a cleverly written and very entertaining book.

THE NIGHT OF RECKONING by Frank Barrett (John Long) gives the reader much excitement. Commander Robert Grahame was compulsorily retired from the Navy, as a sequel of his having shown that his seniors, including an admiral, were at fault in a disaster that occurred to a destroyer. At forty-five, he found himself obliged to look the world in the face and see what he could do with the rest of his life. To think out this point, he strolled down to the pier at Lowestoft, where he was staying and while turning over, in a very depressed mind, the possibilities before him, he observed a young lad asleep in a sheltered nook on the pier. The creature looked ill and starved, ragged and forlorn, and Robert Grahame immediately began to take an interest in one who seemed even more unfortunate than himself. The lad awoke and being questioned revealed the fact that he was ready to do anything to escape his troubles. Grahame saved him from throwing himself into the sea, took him to his house, fed him and proposed that he should take his chance of life with him, as they were both derelicts for the moment. He gave the boy money and told him to get himself rigged out in decent clothes. What was his surprise to find in place of a lad, a smart young girl, neatly dressed, sitting in his room when he returned home. She admitted having run away from her people, but did not give particulars or her real name offering 'Kit' for general use. Grahame was utterly puzzled how to act. However, he decided to adopt Kit and take her to travel through Europe with him. This, as he had private means, he could very well afford to do. They got on excellently and no trouble arose until Kit was recognized one day by the guardian from whom she had fled, and after that peace and quiet fled. Pursuing and flying, hiding and compromising, were henceforth the rule of poor Grahame's and Kit's lives. At last a culminating point was reached, and a tragic ending to the career of two evil beings. After that Grahame and Kit are happy, but not as father and daughter. They marry and Kit comes into a large fortune.

SINS OF THE CITY by William le Queux (George Bell and Sons). This story of Craft, Crime and Capital opens with the return to England of Wallace Viban, an explorer of the practical direct type, who delighted in travel for its own sake. He came upon an old copper mine through having saved the life of the South American who knew its whereabouts, and Viban conceived the project of getting the mine taken up and worked by a company in the City. The very night after his return to London, he set about this, had interviews next day with financiers to whom he showed all his papers, maps and proofs. The following morning he was found dead in his bed, strangled and all his papers and luggage rifled showing clearly the reason for the crime. No trace of the murderer could be found. This is a sensational beginning, and as the story unfolds we are introduced to as pretty a circle of villains as ever wore frock-coats and silk hats and figured as city magnates. Wallace Viban was engaged to a pretty and charming girl, and he had hoped to see her immediately on his return to England and confided to her his hopes in regard to the mine. He had also entrusted her with certain papers. She thus had information which no one else possessed and being as wise as she was faithful to Wallace Viban, she resolved to keep her knowledge to herself and to discover the murderer. She went to Viban's rooms and found certain things that had been overlooked by the police, but which she considered of importance. These clues led finally to the discovery of the criminal, but before that deferred event occurred, many things happened. Balbi, the Italian, who had discovered the secret of the copper mines in Peru, had a long standing vendetta to work off. He sold his rights in one mine to two company promoters who found him in Peru from the indications in Viban's papers. Balbi employed the money in seeking out the murderers of his benefactor, and in discovering the whereabouts of Luca, his Italian sweetheart, who had years before been carried off by one of those very City men, who bought the mine from him in Peru. The tangles that arise in this double thread of vengeance by the efforts of all the villains to outwit each other and destroy indignant honest men is somewhat wearing. Justice lags considerably on the way, leaving ample time to the wicked to work out their nefarious designs. But all ends as it ought to, without Balbi or any of the other respectable people having to commit too many justifiable homicides.

THE LITTLE AUNT by John Strange Winter, (George Bell and Sons) is one of the writer's most easily told stories. The only daughter of a runaway couple is suddenly left alone in the world through the death from diphtheria of her father and mother. She is taken charge of by her grand-parents, very rich people inhabiting a deadly dull house near Blankhampton. Lettice Van der Byl finds the change almost intolerable from her happy poverty-stricken home with her parents, who, though poor, were artistic and light-hearted to the solemn old-fashioned Chantry from which her mother had run way with her painter lover years before. But being endowed with amiability and common sense, Lettice not only makes the best of her new life, but helps to brighten the days of her grandparents and aunts, specially of the little aunt who gives the title to the story. She is not long in compassing a happy arrangement for herself, and all ends well for her and for those who have been kind to her.

BROWNING by Sir Frank T Marzials, C. B., in the Miniature Series of Great Writers (George Bell and Sons) is one of the newest issues. The 'Life' of the Poet, even in this condensed form, gives its chief interesting events, an appreciation of his poems, with a chapter on his "Style and Artistry," and a special criticism of "The Ring and the Book." A bibliographical note and eight illustrations complete the contents of this admirable presentation of Browning among the Great Writers in these well arranged shilling books.

TENNYSON'S POEMS. Early Poems, and The Princess, with introductions by Arthur Waugh, are two of the new volumes of the series of Heinemann's FAVORITE CLASSICS. The "Early Poems" comprise all those pieces which Tennyson himself, in later years, cared to preserve of the volume entitled "Poems, Chiefly Lyrical" published in 1830, and 1833, when he was twenty-one and twenty-three years old and was at Cambridge. The collection contains all the old favorites, familiar to Englishmen in every part of the world. A portrait of Tennyson as a young man is the frontispiece of this volume and another of Tennyson from Mayall's well-known photograph of the poet in his mature years accompanies "The Princess." These little books are admirably got up in cloth binding, printed in fine clear type and cost only sixpence net each.

THE BALTIC SQUADRON.

FRANCE AND NEUTRALITY.

PROTEST BY JAPAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 20.

The "Daily Telegraph" publishes a despatch from Tokio stating that Japan had addressed a formal protest to France with reference to the stay of the Baltic fleet in Kamranh Bay.

LATER.

A telegram from Saigon, dated to-day, says that the Baltic fleet is still at Kamranh Bay and that Admiral Jonquieres has taken all measures to ensure neutrality.

The Governor of Hong Kong has proclaimed afresh the prohibiting coal exportation except for bunkers.

The German steamer Juliette at Mauritius has been prevented from finishing her coaling when it was ascertained that she was carrying stores for Kamranh.

The "Daily Mail" states that the English portion of the Juliette's crew complain that they have been deceived and refuse to continue the voyage preferring imprisonment.

A telegram from Tokio states that the Japanese have occupied Tunghua, fifty miles east of Shingking, and that the Russians retreated north.

LONDON, APRIL 19.

Mr. Lyttelton, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said he had telegraphed for information concerning the British seamen imprisoned at Hongkong.

STRIKE RIOTS AT PETERSBURG.

Trouble at Putiloff Works.

LONDON, APRIL 19.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that two thousand strikers at Putiloff Works, preventing their comrades resuming work, received the mounted police with showers of iron missiles and were finally dispersed by Infantry.

A whole Regiment of Infantry is now quartered in the Works and the vicinity is strongly patrolled.

THE RIOTS AT LIMOGES.

Many Officers and Soldiers Wounded.

EXCITEMENT IN FRANCE.

The rioting at Limoges, on the 17th instant, has created much excitement in France, and the Socialists have vehemently attacked the Government for utilizing the troops, but the Chamber largely supported the Ministry.

It appears that nearly two hundred officers and soldiers were wounded, but the town is now quiet.

AMERICANS VISIT JAPAN.

An Official Party.

LONDON, APRIL 20

A telegram from Washington states that Mr. Taft, Secretary for War, on his return from the Philippines visits Tokio as a guest of Japan. His Party will include Miss Alice Roosevelt and several Senators and members of Congress.

LORD KITCHENER AND GENERAL ELLES.

An Alleged Friction.

The "Daily Express" in a telegram from Calcutta states that Lord Kitchener has intimated he cannot retain office unless the power of the Military Member of Council are restricted.

The "Express" further states that the friction between Lord Kitchener and General Elles is most acute.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

France and Germany.

STATEMENT BY M. DELCASSE.

M. Delcasse, in the Chamber of Deputies, to-day, said that Morocco had accepted the principle of the French proposals, and negotiations are now proceeding on that basis. If Germany considered the explanations regarding Morocco insufficient, he was prepared to complete them, reassure all interests and remove all misunderstanding.

INDIAN UNIVERSITY LEGISLATION.

Mr. Brodrick and the Viceroy.

Mr. Brodrick, in the House of Commons, said he saw no reason to take action regarding Lord Curzon's University legislation.

CHINA AND THE MACKAY TREATY.

The Abolition of Likin.

Earl Percy, in the House of Commons, said no information had reached Government that China had ignored the terms of the Mackay Treaty.

The Mackay Treaty provided for the abolition of "likin" throughout the Chinese Empire in return for a surtax on imports equal to one and a half times the duty provided for in the Protocol of 1901 and a surtax of one-half the 5 per cent. duty on exports. Provision was also made for a national currency, uniform throughout China, the revision of mining regulations, the adoption of rules for the navigation of inland waters and the protection of British trade marks in China. The treaty was signed on September 5th, 1902, but it would appear that little or nothing has been done to carry out its provisions.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNED.

LONDON, APRIL 19.

The House of Commons has been adjourned for Easter until 2nd May.

THE TIBETAN TREATY.

LONDON, APRIL 20.

In the House of Commons, yesterday, Mr. Balfour in reply to Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman said that His Majesty's Government had no information concerning the alleged modifications in the Tibet Treaty.

THE KABUL MISSION.

The Kabul Mission Mr. Balfour said, had renewed the arrangement with the Ameer.

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THE SCOTTISH CHURCH DISPUTE.

Report of the Commission.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROPERTY.

LONDON, APRIL 19.

The report of the Royal Commission on the Scottish Churches dispute declares that the Free Church is incapable of properly administering the enormous endowments wherewith it claims to be entrusted and recommends the appointment of a Commission in whom the property shall be vested with power to transfer any to the United Church where the Free Church is unable to adequately fulfil the duties.

A Colombo telegram states that the Royal Commission, appointed to enquire into the Scottish Church dispute, recommends that the religious funds in dispute be treated as trust funds, and that the Free Church of Scotland be only allowed to enjoy these funds to the extent that it is able adequately to discharge its trustee obligations.

The Free Church complains that its adherents are being boycotted by the United Free Church.

THE ITALIAN RAILWAYS.

Nationalization Adopted.

LONDON, APRIL 20.

The Italian Chamber has passed the Railway Bill including the clause which led to the late strike.

The purchase of the Italian Railways is estimated to cost the State £20,000,000, and a further sum of £20,000,000 will have to be expended in the course of the next ten years in the improvement of the systems and in railway material. These sums Italy will provide without recourse to any foreign loan, paying off the Railway companies immediately their £20,000,000 with funds at the disposal of the savings banks of Lombardy and other similar institutions.

TRAMWAY OFFICIALS AND A MEDICAL OFFICER.

AN ALLEGED ASSAULT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 20.

The case, in which some subordinates of the Calcutta Tramway Company are charged with assaulting Captain Ronayne, R. A. M. C., at Tollygunge, is being heard by Mr. Swan, Joint Magistrate of Alipore. The plaintiff and Colonel Peck, I. M. S., who witnessed the assault have been examined.

The plaintiff said he was not keen about proceeding with the prosecution and asked the Court to show mercy to the accused if convicted.

The case is proceeding.

THE CALCUTTA POLICE COMMISSIONER.

Mr. Bignell, Commissioner of Police, Calcutta, who has been ill for some time, proceeds home to-morrow by the "City of Calcutta."

RETIREMENT OF MR. BUCKINGHAM.

There was an interesting gathering at Dibrugarh, on Monday last, on the occasion of the retirement of Mr. James Buckingham, C. I. E., from India. The speakers referred in high but not too flattering terms to the unique position which Mr. Buckingham, has held as President of the Tea industry in Assam and in Calcutta, where he is as well-known as in that Province with which he is identified. The Indian Tea Association also proposes to do honour to Mr. Buckingham at a dinner to be held on April 29.

THE BEST BATTALIONS IN INDIA.

LORD KITCHENER'S PRIZES.

SIMLA, APRIL 20.

The Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment and the 130th Baluchis have won the prizes given by his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the best trained British and Native Battalions in India.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

SIMLA, APRIL 19.

Captain Parker, R.G.A., on vacating his appointment as Instructor in gunnery, Aden, has been posted to No. 42 Company, R. G. A.

Lieutenant-Colonel Birch, R. G. A., has been posted to command the R. G. A., Cork Harbour.

Major A. Grant, R.E., has been placed under orders for duty in India.

The following officers have passed in subject C. for promotion to Major:—Captains Brown, 53rd Sikhs, and Kirkpatrick, 59th Scinde Rifles.

For promotion to Captain:—Lieutenants Dickson and McCarthy O'Leary, South Lancashire Regiment and Potter, R.F.A.

The War Office have decided that Lieutenants of the Royal Engineers who had completed five years' service on the 1st August, 1904, will be exempt from the necessity of obtaining a musketry certificate before promotion.

Lieutenant J. P. Watson, Bombay Volunteer Artillery, is granted leave of absence out of India, from 15th April to 28th October 1905.

Captain Bertram Henry Hewett, Bombay Volunteer Rifles, is granted leave of absence out of India, from 18th April to the 17th October.

Lieutenant Charles Carkeet James, Bombay Volunteer Rifles, resigns his commission.

ARRIVALS April 20.

Major Priestley, 4 Cavalry, on leave, from Allahabad
Capt A E Cathcart, K R Rifles, on leave from Ranikhet
Major G Saunders, S and T Corps on leave from Lucknow.
Capt Priaulx, K R Rifles, on leave, from Ranikhet.
Lieut D G Owner, 67th Punjabis on leave from Thall.
Major H Brooke Murray, 75th Carnatic L I, on leave, from Jullundur.
Col F W P Angelo 9th H Horse, on leave from Jullundur.
Lieut-Col P M Carnegy 2-4th Gurkha Rifles, on leave from Bakloh.
Captain A Mudge, Queens, on leave from Ferozepore.

DEPARTURES, April 20.

Major N. T Parker, Cant Magistrate, on leave to England.
Lieut E Kirkpatrick, Oxford L I, on leave to England.
Major E Lethbridge, Oxford L I on leave to England.
Brig-Genl J Spens, Staff on leave, to England.
Lieut H R B Reed, 2 39th Garhwal Rifles, on duty to Lansdowne.
Capt L A Smith R H A on leave to England.
Lieut Col C F G Young, 6th Jat L I, on leave to England.
Major J V Blakeway R E, on leave to England.
Lieut A S T Hartley, The Buffs, on leave, to England.
Col H Andrews Speed R E on duty to Poona.
Col E Glennie, R E, on duty to Poona.
Lieut E R G Wilmer, R F A, on leave to England.
Major Gilbert Coopes E Surrey Regt, on duty to Sitapur.
Capt Mudge, The Queens, on duty to Ferozepore.
Major H B Murray, 75 Carnatics L I, on leave to Rawal Pindi.
Brig-Genl R B Adams, T A, on leave to England.
Major Wallace Dunlop 23rd Sikhs, to England.
Capt Laverton, The Blackwatch, on leave to England.
Major G Davis R A M C, on leave to England.
Capt C H Ward, 4th Rajputs, on leave to England.
Lieut-Col F T Lund, 9th Lancers, on leave to England.
Lieut-Col Livingston The Blackwatch, on leave to England.
Lieut A P Warell, The Blackwatch, on leave to England.
Lieut R H Wallace, The Blackwatch, on leave to England.
Capt M Coldthorpe 23th Carnatic, on leave to England.
Col J W[illegible] [illegible] on leave to England.
Lieut-Col G G A[illegible], [illegible] on leave to England.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

JAPANESE WAR MINISTER'S SYMPATHY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

SIMLA, APRIL 20.

His Excellency the Viceroy has received the following telegram from General Teraoritsi, the Japanese Minister of War:—"I tender my deep condolence as to the sad accident of earthquake on the 8th by which your two battalions in Dharmsala have suffered regretful damages."

THE RELIEF WORK.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

AMRITSAR, APRIL 20.

Reports from Palampur state that the Tehsil Thana, Telegraph Office, High School, Hospital and Post Office are all housed in temporary shelters and are working as usual. The shops in the bazar are open and old ones re-established. All the injured Europeans at Palampur are doing well. Treasure and jewels worth several lakhs of rupees lie buried in the ruins of the Golden Temple at Kangra and out of over a thousand pilgrims who were crushed to death, only about four hundred have yet been exhumed from its ruins.

The Chief of Khalsa and his Dewan have opened a subscription list and organised a relief fund in aid of the sufferers in the Kangra Valleys. The relief fund opened by his Honour the Lieutenant Governor, Punjab, has already amounted to over Rs. 1,50,000.

Mr. H. M. Richardson, Superintendent of Post Offices, and Mr. N. C. Seale, Manager, Kangra Valley Tea State Company, Limited, passed through Amritsar, this morning. Both of them escaped with slight injuries. Mr. Seale says that no provisions are procurable in Dharmsala and that he lived on Mr. Newton's charity who supplied him with tinned meat which had been rescued from the debris and that for some nights he, with Messrs. Richardson and Newton, slept under trees. Messrs Seale and Richardson have lost all they possessed, the latter having only the single suit which he wore, with a pair of slippers. They state that many bodies still lie buried under the debris in the villages of the district and that the stench arising from carcasses of cattle is unbearable.

THE DESTRUCTION OF KANGRA.

A SCENE OF DESOLATION.

The "Pioneer's" special correspondent writing of the scene visible at Kangra after the Earthquake states:—

Looking up from the camping ground to the low and beautifully wooded hill upon which the town and temples stood one could not see any sign of buildings, but among the trees there was a gleam of yellow light reflected from the roof of the Kangra Bhawan or Golden Temple. On the ridge still higher some heaps of masonry showed where Mr. Selston's house and the missionary buildings were lying wrecked and following the road to the town one came within a hundred yards of significant signs of devastation. Immediately on the right was all that was left of the Municipal Dispensary, and near by on the same side was the Thana, with the Treasury buildings on the left. The two last had been solidly built with cut stone walls and heavy beams and roofs. They had been literally shivered and the masonry disintegrated. The forces which wrecked them must have had as it were a winnowing motion, and this applies also to every part of the town and hill. An old masonry bridge had been broken up. It was little larger than a culvert, and was the first I had seen broken from Shahpur to Kangra. Following the road leading to the temple we had evidence on every hand of the earthquake. Not a house was standing, and the flatness of the ruins was terribly impressive. Passing among the ruins we came out above the wreckage of the great temple itself. A confused mass of masonry lay below. The thick walls were rent, small shrines broken up and only one miniature temple left, and even this had been partly thrown down, and was standing tilted over at a sharp angle. The golden roof and cupola were resting on the ruins, some of the gilded metal plates having been broken of by the shock, but the roof as a whole not having lost its distinctive shape. It had also been tilted over, showing that when the building collapsed beneath it there must have been that wrenching and twisting motion which was referred to some time ago as having been felt at Kangra. The thickness of the walls was enormous, as the temple was most strongly built, and yet the masonry was shattered as if the structure had been weakly constructed. Here as at Kangra Fort, the very solidity of the buildings and its resisting powers only made the wreck more complete. Below the temple we saw masses of ruins. These marked the site of the houses used for the reception of pilgrims, and they have yet to yield up their dead. Those who perished there, must have died instantaneously, for the debris is even now an almost impenetrable mass. The very height of these houses caused their fall to be appalling.

A RUINED TOWN.

The town showed an utterly deserted appearance at the time I visited it, for working parties were having their mid-day rest, while survivors had also desisted for a few hours from searching the ruins; but occasionally one met men carrying light beams and rafters to be used for rebuilding houses or making better shelter places. The Golden Temple may hereafter rise again and the town cluster about it, but at present, all is desolation. Treasure and jewels, worth several lakhs of rupees, are said to be under the ruins, and the recovery of these will be attempted later. The chief priest escaped uninjured and doubtless offerings will flow into him from pious Hindus all over India for the Kangra Bhawan was a most sacred place, pilgrims even from distant Southern India coming to visit it. Ranjit Singh once, came to the temple it is said while long before 900 years ago, its riches attracted Mahmud of Ghazni, who plundered Nazarkote, as it was then called carrying away the great idol and an immense store of treasure.

From the site of the temple we passed upwards, still climbing among the trees until the broad pathed way led us past the Amritsar Mission School houses and play ground. The buildings were well constructed of stone, but were now mere piles of debris. Then the crest of the hill was reached. Here lay the smaller temple of Devi, utterly wrecked and the remains of the mission Church with its bell lying among the shattered masonry. The church and temple had stood side by side and their ruins were mingled. Lower down on the crest was the Mission House where the Rev. Mr. Rowlands Mrs. Decauble and Miss Lorbeer were killed. One can see the verandah where the two ladies were sitting at the time the earthquake occurred, and the suddenness of the shock is proved by the fact that they were unable to escape. Here on the crest can be seen long narrow fissures running east and west. Big branches have been broken from the banian and peepul trees while the cactus plants also show signs of damage. Following the fissures upwards we found that they became more marked at the highest point of the ridge, where the Sessions House stood on a small plateau, but they were never more than four or five inches in width. The soil, too, is rather loose, so they may not extend to any depth. The Sessions House was a large stone building commanding a magnificent view all over the Kangra Valley. The shocks may have culminated here or on Kangra fort a mile beyond. In any case, the Sessions House was completely destroyed, being almost instantaneously shaken from its foundations and crumbling to pieces. One need not refer again to the lives lost here, for the story is too pitiful.

South-west, on the lower spur, Kangra fort lies, utterly wrecked. It stood in an isolated position overlooking the slope to the north-east on which were a cluster of houses of old Kangra. These lie wrecked almost hidden among the trees. Great landslips have occurred along the road which winds down the hillside, totally obliterating the track in somt parts. While other slips threaten for these now low hills about Kangra are made up of clay rounded boulders and conglomerate rocks easily displaced, and heavy rain would bring down masses of earth and trees.

THE PEOPLE'S PANIC.

Such is the scene now presented at Kangra, but one's imagination cannot picture the horrors of the actual calamity on the morning of the earthquake and those which followed before help arrived. There was no one left alive who could direct operations for rescuing the people buried in the ruins, or succouring those who had been maimed and were yet alive. All the subordinate officials were killed. No European was within reach, and the people fled panic-stricken, fearing that yet worse terrors would envelope them. The sufferings of those injured were terrible, while a scarcity of food prevailed for a few days until supplies were poured in and free relief given. Major McIvor Smith, brought medical relief and food. The troops gave not only their own invaluable labour, but by their example stimulated the survivors to work. The period of stunning apathy then passed, though the desolation of Kangra remained and still must remain. All that could humanly be done was done when relief arrived and the gratitude of the people, not only of the town, but of the villages is everywhere openly expressed—Dharmsala, Kangra, Nagrata, Sujanpur and Bharwana. These are the towns which suffered most, but many hamlets have their tale of killed and injured. The deepest sympathy rests with the people as a body.

LARGELY owing to the efforts of the Government to find markets for the surplus product of the farms of Russia (particularly Siberia), the exports of Russian butter increased from 10,000 tons in 1899 to 30,063 tons in 1903. The construction of the Siberian railway and the increased use of American farming machinery have largely contributed to this result. England takes large quantities of Siberian butter, for the transport of which the Russian lines have [illegible] [illegible] accommodation.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Fashions for Home Going Folk.

MILLINERY MODES.

WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES.

LONDON, MARCH 31.

SENSIBLY short of skirt are they, and smartly neat and trim, in the way that the coats fit the figure, these new walking costumes, which seem suddenly to have sprung into life with the first days of bright spring sunshine. They present to us a novel and not ungraceful outline, but one to which our eyes are not as yet accustomed, for the sleeves which drooped demurely this time last year are now arranged with all their fulness in the region of the shoulder, thus helping to accentuate the apparent slimness of the waist. A typical coat and skirt costume of the moment, just the sort of useful frock which everybody wants to wear between the seasons, was carried out in a new shade of cinnamon brown, a pretty colour which has a becoming suspicion of pink in its composition. The short skirt is arranged with number of flat pleats, stitched down to within a little distance of the hem, and in this way allowing for plenty of fulness round the feet. A wide band of soft silk braid, in a darker shade of brown, borders the hem of the skirt, and outlines the tight-fitting coat most effectively, appearing also on the collar and the sleeves. A neat little polo toque in dark brown Yedda straw, trimmed only with straw loops and bows, looks well with this coat and skirt costume. The same design might be carried out advantageously in other colours such as leaf-green or pale lilac, while it would also be very distinguished-looking made entirely in cream or in ivory-white. Coats with long basques will be greatly in evidence all through the season, and on a tall, slim figure they have an exceeding grace in effect. On the other hand, the short, close-fitting Eton coats will still be permissible, while those who care for neither of these styles will find a third alternative in the jaunty little jackets which fit closely to the figure from throat to waist, and then end either in short basques all the way round, or in a habit back, with coat-tails of varying sizes and shapes.

Fashioned in the finest and softest cloth imaginable, and carried out in a pale shade of delicate leaf-green, a smart coat recently seen would be equally appropriate to wear at a spring race-meeting or for a bride's travelling wrap. In the latter case, however, the superstitious ones might very possibly prefer to change the colour, and not to tempt an evil fate by wearing anything so unlucky as green. Imagining the coat, however, to be leaf-green, it is worth noting that the wide revers, which do so much to beautify the front of the coat, and which also serve to border the full bell sleeves, are made in white suede, a trimming which, under various firms, promises to be very popular this spring. The white suede on this pale green coat is everywhere most effectively embroidered in a design of conventionalised wild roses and foliage, worked in china ribbons and in filoselle silk in pale shades and pink and green. If the coat were wanted as a useful travelling wrap, it would be better to do away with these elaborate embroideries altogether, and in place of the suede revers to have facings of cloth in a darker shade of green. These might be fastened with rather large buttons in old silver, and arranged in such a way that the coat would look equally well worn either open or closed. Very smart, too, for travelling, and better fitted perhaps to come in contact with railway carriage cushions of doubtful cleanliness, are the long coats that are made in dark blue and green plaid, the colours being so subdued and so closely interwoven as to give almost a self effect to the material. A blue and green plaid travelling coat, made recently in Paris, fits quite closely to the figure at the back, where it is moulded gracefully to follow the curves of the waist, flowing out with ample fulness round the feet. A stitched waistbelt of soft green leather starts from under the arms, and comes down to a long point in front, and above this point the bodice part droops a little, and is fastened down the centre with green leather buttons. This useful coat is completed by a collar and cuffs of the same soft green leather, closely stitched.

Should fashion continue to allow our hats and toques to grow "small by degrees and beautifully less," at their present rate of diminishing we shall soon consider a bow of ribbon and a bunch of roses quite sufficient in the way of headgear. It is astonishing to think how soon our eyes have become accustomed to the jaunty little Watteau shepherdess hats and the tiny torpedo toques of the moment. The small turbans, too, that are known somewhat inconsequently either as pillboxes or polo hats, no longer strike one as being impossible, even when they crown the most modern coiffure, with its heavy encircling plaits of hair. This fashion for plaiting the hair, by the way, is another revival of the early seventies, and it bids fair to bring much grist to the mill of those who deal in what has been delightfully described as "applied" hair. When small hats are worn, elaborate hair-dressing must follow, as a matter of course. Prettiest of all among the Watteau hats are those which are made in fine soft crinoline or horse-hair braid, dyed in some pale pastel shade, and twisted up into various indescribable but very becoming shapes. These Watteau hats look best trimmed only with a garland of pink roses and forget-me-nots, wreathed half round the crown on one side, and then carried over and under the brim at the back. Some novel hats there are, too, with double brims, the space between the upper and the lower brim being filled in with flowers, while other blossoms form a very full cache-peigne at the back.

The skirts of the new suits are less voluminous than they threatened to be. They are smooth-fitting over the hips, and though they flare considerably—the flare begins just below the hip curve—there is nothing extreme in the general outline. The circular cut is gaining in popularity, as it is one of the best solutions of the fitted top and flare bottom problem. Probably the fashionable check and plaid materials are largely responsible for the return of the circular skirt; it is especially chic when developed in check or plaid, cut on the cross and with a seam down the middle front. For the separate walking skirt, the irregular checks or plaids are preferably in black and white, and in the light-weight smooth surface suitings, be fair to be exceedingly popular, and though these skirts are made up in all the prevailing ways, the bias circular skirts, with front seam and perhaps two side pleats down the middle front, are meeting with particular success. The skirt of many gores is another model well liked. It is smooth over the hips, but easy below the hip-line and quite full before it reaches the knees. The back, too, though it may close snugly and smoothly at the top, falls in fulness below the placket so that there is no ugly inward curve of the back seam. Certain smart models have a plain narrow front breadth of box pleat suggestion cut in one with the hip yoke, and in one with this yoke also are flat panels running from yoke to hem in sides and back, while between them the skirt falls in side pleats or box pleats. Pleatings are set into the lower parts of walking skirts in many clever ways but almost always there is the smoothly fitted hip and the unbroken line of seam, pleat, or trimming down the middle front.

The late M. Worth, the great French dressmaker always insisted on long and flowing lines for his stout clients and quite regardless of prevailing fashions, absolutely refused to trim their gowns with horizontal effects.

The stout woman, therefore, will be wise if she accepts as cardinal points in the study of wardrobe these two essentials won from a world-wide experience.

It is wonderful, too, what straight lines will do for a stout figure, while curves merely accentuate its embonpoint, and become unsightly instead of beautiful.

All gowns should be made of some soft material that can be put on very full over a closely fitted lining of silk. This lining clings to the figure, and adds nothing to its bulk; while the voluminous skirt draped upon it is too soft to take up space over the hips and yet is full enough to give broad, sweeping lines to the bottom. Many stout women are appalled at the suggestion of a full skirt. But if they will try on a skirt that lies snugly round the waist and hips, and fares well out from the hips down, they will see how slender the waist will appear in contrast to the full effect of the skirt.

The fulness should appear to spring from the belt, and the outline of the hips should never be accentuated by having the skirt fitted to them. The fitted yoke, with a gauged or fitted skirt springing from the yoke, is also an error of judgment. There is no fashion worse suited to the stout woman, as such a skirt cuts the figure, and gives a short and dumpy appearance. The top of the skirt should have the fulness laid in pleats or tucks, just as one pleases. Of course, the extensively gauged skirts should never be worn except by very tall women, and even by them with discretion. In the matter of trimming, great care should be taken. Long panels sometimes appear to reduce the size of the figure, but the horizontal trimmings whether put on in wavy lines or scallops, always reduce the height and appear to increase the breadth of the woman who wears them.

Trimming on the hem gives breadth to the bottom of the skirt, and seems to give a becoming length to the wearer. The stout woman who dresses to her figure rather than to fashionable models is always more smartly gowned than she who wears what is fashionable in itself rather than what is suitable. A list of "don'ts" formulated by a modiste who has made the stout figure an especial study may be a useful guide to the woman who is inclined to embonpoint. Don't use frills of any kind on a gown. Use flat trimmings. Don't wear wide belts. Don't [illegible] a skirt [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a narrow [illegible] is full below the elbow. Don't wear an Eton coat. Always have the coat-line extend as far below the waist-line as possible. Don't wear a tight-fitting coat if very stout. Don't wear bow ties. Wear something small and narrow if a tie is required. Don't wear fluffy things round the neck. Let the neck-finishing be as flat as possible. Don't wear a high-cut decolletage. Have the low bodice cut to an extremity of decollete, and build up the top with patchy effects to the required height.

The Louis XVI. coat is a becoming style to the stout woman because it is long in its lines, fitted in the back, not necessarily fitted in front, and has wide skirts as a contrast to the slenderness of its waist-line. In the first figure is shown a coat of this kind, made of black velvet, with a broad, flat design of black jet, picked out with small puffed pieces of dull satin down the front and on the cuffs. A smart afternoon gown is also shown for the stout woman; it is made with a pleated skirt, having a narrow front of very heavy lace, the pleats on each side the front turning over on the lace.

The bodice is made with pleats at the shoulder, which fit in at the waist. The front pleats turn forward upon a panel of wide lace, which narrows at the waist-line and appears a continuation of the skirt panel.

Women are doing their best to soften war's horrors, and 250,000 members of the Ladies' Patriotic Association in Japan, headed by the Marchioness Oyama, are working on behalf of the troops in the Far East. In Harbin we are told there are only 140 nurses to cope with the 50,000 wounded and 12,000 sick men—a sufficiently awful commentary on the state of affairs in Manchuria. At home women's activities are so multiplying that it is hard work to keep pace with them. One of the best efforts that have been made for women among the London poor was initiated this week, when an influential meeting was held to further Miss Marian Blake's splendid Day Nursery scheme. Her model Day Nursery will provide for bathing, feeding, and clothing the babies of working mothers, and no words are strong enough to endorse her plea for those poor mites, whose mothers must leave the duties of maternity for the equally pressing one of bread winning. Oddly enough, the strongest of all possible arguments that of danger from fire—hundreds of children are burned to death every year through neglect—was not adduced by the speakers, among whom Miss Marian Blake and Lady Kinnoul were brief, but forcible.

I am afraid we rather overlook the musical side of women's work, yet that it is a sufficiently important one I am reminded in many ways. Some interesting details, for instance, reach me of the London Olympic Ladies' Choir. The choir was started, it appears, some eleven years ago under the leadership of Madam Winifred Edwards-Rees, who can boast of a first prize for her choir at the National Eisteddfod—a speaking tribute to their skill. They are, too, fortunate in possessing in Miss Deborah Rees an artistic accompanist. "The Musical Herald" gives a most interesting and detailed report of a meeting of the Girls' School Music Union on "How to Train Music Teachers." Mrs. Curwen deprecates the craze for diplomas, which so dazzles the uninitiated. But it appears the owners of these imposing letters run into their thousands. Meanwhile women continue to reap laurels in singing—perhaps the most within their reach. I see that Madame Alice Esty scored a great success at the Coliseum. This delightful vocalist has graduated in the most difficult of all stage schools that of Wagner-heroines, and personally is as charming as a woman as she is accomplished as an artist.

A suggestive little booklet (Fifield, 44, Fleet-street), is "For Our Country's Sake," by Godfrey Blount, B.A.—an eloquent plea for the revival of "country life and crafts." Mr. Blount and his clever wife have done so much to further such a revival in their "Peasants' Arts Society" that this plea for going "back to the land" comes with special force. Mr. Blount preaches a "new crusade," which teaches abstention "from all useless and cruel fashions in food, clothing, and service," that will commend his work to our humanitarian friends. But these also have something to say for themselves, and I have read with much interest the "annual report" of the "Humanitarian League" for 1904. A truly amazing record it is of solid achievement! In the "Fur and Feather" department the society has enlisted such well-known women as the Countess of Warwick, Lady Battersea, Mrs. Creighton, Mrs. Humphry Ward, and Miss Ellen Terry on their side for this crusade against cruelty in all its forms is "woman's work" in the best sense of the word, and the establishment of an "Indian branch" is a welcome extension of the work, whose headquarters are at 53 Chancery-lane, W.C.

In the trimming world one of the most striking novelties is a button of shaded chenille and metal. The centre of the button is of chenille thread running round in circles, and shading from dark at the centre to light at the outer edge. This chenille disc, which is usually concave, and has a tiny point of gleaming metal at its centre, is framed in a wrought metal circle of shaded gold, copper, or silver, according to the colours with which the metal is to harmonise. In greens and in browns these buttons are particularly good. Delightful shadings and designs in enamel, metal, and in cut-work metal tinted to dull yet delicate metallic colourings are greatly liked; and it is possible to find in these buttons almost any colour combination desired. Ivory and imitation jewels set in metal open work are among the button novelties.

MATHERAN A MUNICIPALITY.

A NOTIFICATION in yesterday's "Bombay Government Gazette" states that the hill station of Matheran has been constituted a permanent Municipal District. As the resident population of the newly-constituted Municipal District is small and includes few persons, who are capable of properly exercising the franchise if the privilege were conceded, the Municipality will consist entirely of nominated councillors. There will be five councillors inclusive of the President. The Superintendent of Matheran has been appointed ex-officio President of the Municipality.

A Government resolution on the subject says:—

A grant of Rs. 5,000 should be made to the Municipality from Provincial Funds subject to repayment hereafter regarding which further orders will be issued.

The Governor in Council is pleased to assign to the new Municipality, pending further orders, the following items of revenue which are now credited to the Station Fund:—(a) a moiety of the Forest revenue, (b) revenue fines, (c) fees for earth and stone, (d) proceeds from the sale of maps, and (e) notice fees.

The following properties should, pending further orders, be transferred to the Municipality:—(a) the Meat and Beef Market, (b) the Karsandas Library, (c) the Vernacular School, (d) the Behramji Jijibhai Hospital, together with the infectious disease ward, mortuary and other subsidiary buildings, (e) the Hospital Assistants' quarters. Charlotte Lake and other tanks and springs within the Municipal District should also be vested in the Municipality, but should be maintained by the Public Works Department. The management of these works requires skilled labour and materials of a nature which the Municipality may not be able to command, and a proper conservation of the water-supply is of the highest importance. Orders will be issued hereafter regarding the recovery from the Municipality of the cost of maintenance.

The whole of the Neral-Matheran Road, including the portion within the Municipality limits, should be reserved by Government as a Provincial road, and the tolls levied on the road should be credited to Government.

THE J. N. TATA MEMORIAL FUND.

A MEETING of members of the Committee of the J N. Tata Memorial Fund was held in the Corporation Hall last evening, when the Hon Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice of Bombay, presided, and there was a pretty fair attendance of members. On the motion of the Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalvad, seconded by Mr. Kaji Kabirudin, it was resolved that the following gentlemen be appointed the Executive Committee to take measures for perpetuating the memory of the late Mr. J. N. Tata:—The Hon. Sir Lawrence Jenkins, H. H. The Aga Khan, Mr. Adamjee Peerbhoy, the Hon. M. C. H. Armstrong, Messrs. Amirudin Tyebjee, Ardesir Framjee, A. T. Billimoria, Dr. A. P. Cama, Mr. Justice Tyebjee, Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Messrs. Somonjee Dinshaw Petit, James Begbie, Burjorjee J. Padshaw Mr. Justice Batty, the Hon Mr. C. H. Setalvad, Messrs. C. M. Cursetjee, Currimbhoy Ebrahim. W. A. Chambers, the Hon. Mr. D. R. Chichgar. Messrs. Sassoon J. David, Dharamsey Morarjee Gokaldas, D. N. Bahadurjee, the Hon. Mr. D. A. Khare Messrs. G. O. W. Dunn, H. B. Forbes Fazalbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim L. G. Fraser, the Hon. Mr. G. K. Parekh, Messrs. H. G. Gell, F. F. Gordon, H. Greaves, Sir Harkisondas Narotumdas, the Hon. Mr Dikshit, Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy; Sir Jehangir Cowasjee, Messrs. Jehangir B. Petit, R. J. Kent, J. A. Wadia, Jehangir D. Framjee, Kazi Kabirudin, Dr. Dadachanjee, Messrs. A. Leslie, Limjee N Banajee, S. M. Moses, A. Muirhead, Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, Dr. H. M. Masina, Mr. James Macdonald, Mr. Justice Chandavarkar Sir P. M. Mehta, Messrs. N. V. Mandlik, P. J. Padshaw, Rustomjee B. Jejeebhoy, R. D. Sethna, Dr. R. Row, Sorabjee E. Warden, the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas D. Thackersey, Mr. Vijbhucandas Atmaram, Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Mr. D. E. Wacha, &c., &c.

The Chairman said the Executive Committee will collect subscriptions and submit suggestions as to what form the memorial should take in order to carry into effect the resolutions passed at the public meeting.

The proceedings closed with the customary compliment to the Chairman.

THE IMPROVEMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

A Press note issued by the Bombay Government states:—In a Press Note issued on 9th March 1904 it was intimated that a representation signed by leading members of the mercantile community and other gentlemen of influence in Bombay on the subject of the improvement of Horticulture and Agriculture in the Bombay Presidency was received by the Bombay Government early in September 1903, that for a considerable period before that date the subject had been under consideration by this Government and had been discussed with the Government of India and that, as the result of this consideration and of the further consideration given to the matter on receipt of the representation of August 1903, proposals for the extention of agricultural research and the improvement of agricultural education in this Presidency were made to the Government of India.

The memorialists proposed the establishment of an Agricultural and Economic Institute with the requisite staff of experts and the provision of affiliated farms, which involved an initial outlay of about five lakhs of rupees spread over a period of two or three years, and, when operations would be in full swing, an annual cost of about 1 1-4 lakhs of rupees. They suggested that the preparation of the detailed estimates of cost might be entrusted to a committee of experts, and prayed that even if Government were unable to adopt their proposals, effect might be given to the cardinal principle underlying them viz. that the interests of this Presidency require the establishment of a complete state organization for the development of its agricultural resources. This representation was referred to the Inspector-General of Agriculture in India and the Director of Land Records and Agriculture in this Presidency, who submitted a well considered scheme, after consultation with the various officers expert in agriculture and allied subjects in other parts of India. Messrs. Mollison and Lawrence observed that the proposals made by the memorialists were in many respects an excellent standard to which the Provincial Department of Agriculture might ultimately aspire when money and men were available, and that it was essential, alike to the progress of research in agriculture, to the efficient conduct of agricultural work on the Government farms and to the general extension of agricultural knowledge amongst the landowners of this country, that a higher standard of scientific teaching should be provided at the College of Science, Poona. These officers made the following recommendations for the consideration of this Government:—(1) that three appointments of Professor of Agriculture, Agricultural Chemist and Economic Botanist should be created, and that these officers should be under the Department of Agriculture and should devote themselves to agricultural teaching and agricultural experiment and research; (2) that they should be assisted in his work by trained native subordinates, viz. two Assistants for Economic Botany and three Assistants for Agricultural Chemistry and that two Assistant Entomologists, two Assistant Cryptogamic Botanists and one Assistant Economic Botanist should be entertained in connection with this work and for the general purposes of the Department; (3) that as the accommodation for the Reaching of Agricultural Chemistry and Botany at the College of Science was exceedingly inadequate, the following additional buildings should be constructed on the Kirkee Farm—Herbarium Museum of Economic products and Agricultural appliances; Library; Chemical Laboratory and office; Botanical Laboratory and office, and Lecture Room; (4) that, in addition to the existing four Government experimental farms in Gujarat and the Deccan, farms should be started at Dharwar for the study of cotton and other crops of the Southern Maratha Country and that similar farms in the Konkan and Sind were highly desirable; (5) that three overseers subordinate to the Assistant Superintendents of the farms should be sanctioned to carry out such minor experiments as might be from time to time required and to maintain demonstration plots without the immediate establishment of new fully developed farms; and (6) that the Ganeshkhind Botanical Gardens at Poona should be extended and economic work in connection with them developed, and that the Municipality of Bombay should be approached in order to secure the application of the Victoria Gardens to a greater extent than hitherto to the study of systematic botany. This Government concurred with Messrs. Mollison and Lawrence in considering that the object in view could be satisfactorily attained by a gradual expansion of existing institutions on the lines on which they were worked and generally approved of the recommendations made by these officers. The Governor-in Council also came to the conclusion that it would be useful to hold an annual conference to which all interested in agriculture should be invited, and the Chamber of Commerce, the Millowners' Association, the Natural History Society and other bodies should be requested to send representatives, and that the meetings of such conferences would constitute a means of spreading knowledge of what is being done and of results achieved and of ascertaining the lines on which further research might proceed with the best hope of success.

GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATION.

The recommendations made by this Government have been generally approved by the Government of India and the Secretary of State, who has sanctioned (1) an initial expenditure of Rs. 1,10 000 to be spent partly on buildings on the Experimental Farm at Manjri and partly on the additional accommodation required for agricultural research and teaching on the Kirkee Farm and (2) an annual increase in the recurring expenditure of Rs. 51, 195 of which Rs. 40,295 will be on account of increase of establishments. Mr. J. B. Knight, M. Sc. who has been doing duty as Special Assistant in the Bombay Agricultural Department since April 1903, has now been confirmed as Professor of Agriculture, and Mr. G. A. Gammie, Professor of Botany at the College of Science, has been appointed Economic Botanist, while the question of the selection of an officer for the post of Agricultural Chemist is under the consideration of the Secretary of State. The existing experimental farms at Kirkee and Manjri in the Deccan, at Surat and Nadiad in Gujarat; and at Dharwar in the Southern Maratha Country represent a capital outlay of not less than Rs. 1 55,000 and a recurring expenditure of Rs. 74,000 per annum. An experimental farm has also been started at Mirpur Khas in Sind for experiments in the cultivation of Egyptian cotton and at Dhulia in the Khandesh District for experiments in cotton cultivation and the question of opening a farm under the Muwalia Tank in the Panch Mahals for experiments in the cultivation of crops locally grown is under consideration. Manjri Farm has been extended from 9 acres to 45 acres, and the necessary buildings on this farm as well as those required on the Kirkee Farm for the Herbarium, Chemical Laboratory and Botanical Laboratory, are being constructed. Rs. 18,000 have been provided for the buildings on the farm at Mirpur Khas, and Rs. 14 450 for the land and buildings at Dhulia. The Professor of Agriculture will be in charge of the Kirkee and Manjri Farms while the Deputy Director of Agriculture (Mr. Fletcher will supervise the farms and demonstration areas in other parts of the Presidency including Sind. The Professor of Agriculture, the Economic Botanist and the Agricultural Chemist will all devote their time to agricultural research as well as to agricultural teaching, and the agricultural education given at the College of Science, Poona, will be under the joint supervision of the Educational and Agricultural Departments. A most valuable feature of the scheme is the recruiting of a superior staff of native assistants in the Agricultural Department as qualified man become available. They will be employed in diffusing a knowledge of the results achieved at the College and on the Farms. When success of experiments on the experimental farms is assured, plots of land will be obtained or farms will be established in suitable places to demonstrate to persons likely to benefit by the demonstration the utility and profit of the improvements. Arrangements have been made for publishing in vernacular newspapers and leaflets statements of the results of experiments and advice to cultivators and for the regular posting of copies of such leaflets in the vernacular in every village. The first annual conference was held in Poona in the rains of 1904.

SAILANA NOTES.

HIS HIGHNESS BIJEYSINGJI, the Maharavalji Saheb of Dungarpur, has completely recovered from the effects of his recent accident while riding. His Highness has been able to join the Mayo College for study, writes our Sailana correspondent.

Friday, the 14th instant, was observed here as the Chaitr Dusera holiday with eclat and rejoicings. A State procession was arranged and it started from the Palace, His Highness the Raja Sahib riding on the elephant with the Dewan Sahib sitting behind him. The State officials were in horse carriages. On the Sawari reaching the Kalka Mata, a halt was made, and the goddess, having been worshipped, offerings were made and the procession moved further on to the Victoria Tank. Here guns were fired and fireworks let off in honour of the occasion. The spurious Ravan was killed and burnt in the fireworks. The Sawari afterwards returned to the Palace, where again some more guns and pyrotechnics were let off in the compound. The whole town was up and many people came from adjacent villages to view the State procession. In Malwa and Rajputana, the Dusera holidays are observed twice in a year, whereas in Gujerat the festival is enjoyed once in the month of Asvin.

For the last three days the sky has cleared and the weather has changed for good. The heat of the summer has commenced to play its part well, and delightful warmth has supervened. The temperature is registers 80 Fahr. in the morning and goes up as high as 95 in the shade, in the evening.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following passengers proceed to-morrow by the s.s. Peninsular, to Aden, Marseilles and London with the Indian Mails of 22nd April:—

Beadon, Mrs G C
Benthall Mr H E
Bentinck Mr and Mrs
Boissogonoff, Mr.
Broadhurst Mr S
Campbell Mr A Y C
Cathcart, Capt. A E
Chamier, Mr and Mrs D
Cufford Mr R
Collier, Mr
Dane Mr L W
Davar Mr D D
Dinshaw, Mrs L C and infant
Dinshaw, Mr K C
Donaldson Mr W J
Friedenthal, Mr
Foster, Mr
Fernandes, Mr J C
Grant Mr A H
Grenfell Mr H H
Hillier, Mr J W
Hilton Mr C S
Holmes Mr J M
Ibrahim, Mr and Mrs M, son and daughter
Inverarity Mr J D
Jansen Mr V
Jenkins, Sir Lawrence and Lady
Kubes, Mr
Leach, Mr H P
Lewis, Mr
Lewis Mr W
Lindsay Mr D
Low, Capt

Macdonald, Mr
Marsden, Mr K
Marshall Capt K J M
Mokrecki, Mr S de
Mistes, Mr
Munro Mr J H
Nevill Mr W E
Norman Major W W
Odes Mr O H
Pawson, Mr J J
Pestier Mr A (CIE)
Porchester Mr E H P
Porteous, Mr E R
Pratt, Major
Priaulx Capt G K
Pelham, Mrs
Rattigan, Mrs and infant
Savage Mr H
Savage Mr H (J R)
School, Dr H
Sickert Mr O
Smallwood, Mr
Smith Mr C W Johnstone
Stephens Mr
Stewart, Mrs
Sterling, Capt J D
[illegible] Capt Mark
Towney Major F W
[illegible]
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[illegible]
[illegible] Mr and Mrs C W
Wathen Mr [illegible]

A WEDDING [illegible]

WEDNESDAY, the 19th of April, [illegible] wedding Day of Miss Batty and Mr. [illegible] I.C.S., Judge of Bombay High Court, a reception was held in the afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Batty, on Nepean Sea Road. The bride and bridegroom stood to receive the congratulations of their many friends in the orthodox fashion in the drawing-room. The bride's dress was a charming combination of white silk, lace and chiffon relieved with light shimmering silver embroidery. There was a large array of enviable wedding-gifts. The three-tiered cake in its snowy wedding garment stood on a flower decorated table in the centre of the room and was solemnly cut by the bride at the right moment.

The Chief Justice was called on to give the toast of the new-married couple and, in doing so, happily observed that the occasion was to him a doubly pleasant one, as it marked the union of one learned brother Judge with the daughter of another in the bonds of matrimony. [illegible] that day. Mr. Batchelor had not been long among us in this city, but now that he had succeeded, in what was always a proud feat for any man, in inducing a young girl to choose him from among all others as her life-partner, we might be sure he would be a happy fixture in Bombay. What he said to Mrs. Batchelor when offering his congratulations, he would now repeat, that if Mr. Batchelor was as admirable as her husband, as he was as his colleague, her happiness was assured. The toast was then drunk with all honours.

Mr. Justice Batchelor, in thanking Sir Lawrence Jenkins for his kindly words, said he was reminded of the story of an Irishman who in an access of Celtic enthusiasm, had committed a slight breach of the law, felonious injury or manslaughter or some such thing. Being much depressed as his trial approached, a kind friend, to cheer him, said "You are lucky in the Judge that is to try your case. He is perfectly fair, absolutely unbiassed, and strictly just." "Faith" said the prisoner; "that's not the sort of Judge I want at all. It's one with just a weeny bit of a leaning I'd like now." This was the kind of Judge he had found to-day as evidenced by the indulgent things Sir Lawrence Jenkins had said. He and his wife appreciated them highly. They were also very grateful to all their friends who had bravely faced the rigours of the hot weather to come and wish them good luck on their wedding day.

Mr. Justice and Mrs. Batchelor spend the next few weeks at Khandalla.

Among the guests were:—Sir Lawrence and Lady Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Gell, Mr. and Mrs. Strangman, Mr. Justice Aston, Mrs. Raikes, Mr. and Mrs. Thatcher, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Leslie, Colonel and Mrs. Collie, Mr. Keatinge, Captain and Mrs. Younghusband Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Edwardes, Miss Edwardes, Mr. Hotson, I. C. S., Mr. Justice and Mrs. Chandavarkar, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Rothfeld, Mr. and Mrs. Prevost, Mr. Cadell, I.C.S., Colonel and Mrs. Childe, Colonel and Mrs. Crimmin, Viscounte de Wrem, Colonel Dimmock, Mrs. Grattan Geary, Mr. Martin, I.C.S., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hughes, Major and Mrs. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Boyd, Mr. R. D. Sethna, Mr. Banaji, Mr. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Captain and Mrs. Sanders and many others.

The following is a list of the presents:—

H E and Lady Lamington	Silver salad servers
Mr and Mrs Jardine	Silver bowl and stand
Mr and Mrs Lowndes	Silver bag
Mr and Mrs Muir-Mackenzie	Chinese enamel box
Mr and Mrs Deane	Silver cigarette lighter
Mr and Mrs Kincaid	Champagne jug and asparagus dish
The Hon'ble the Chief Justice	Pair silver vases
Mr Overton	Pair silver peg measures
Miss Rien	Satin table centre
Miss Hogg	Silver sweet dish and stand
Capt and Mrs E Y Watson	Silver tray
Mr and Mrs Du Boulay	Cake stand
Mr Young	Silver card case
Miss Dickenson	Oil painting
Miss Scorfield	Mompes Japan
Mr and Mrs Crouch	Silver topped oil and vinegar bottles
Mr McNeill	Silver butter dish and knife
Col and Mrs Crimmin	Silver card case
Mr Symington	Silver bell
Mr and Mrs Moir	Silver-topped inkstand
Mr and Mrs Robertson	Japanese gong
Mr and Mrs MacLeod	Silver mustard pot and muffineers in case
Mr Rothfeld	Silver card case
Mr and Mrs Raikes	Pair silver sauce boats
Mr Crichton	Pair silver salt cellars
Mr and Mrs Branson	Silver napkin rings and card tray
Mr and Mrs Cameron	Pair silver sweet dishes
Mrs Deane	Gold necklace
Mr and Mrs Ferrers Nicholson	Pair silver vases on stands
The Hon Mr Justice, Mrs and Miss Russell	Travelling clock in case
Laibhai	Gold bracelet watch
Mr and Mrs Coleman	Black carved tray
Major and Mrs Childe	Silver knife and spoon
Mr and Mrs Edwardes	Pair silver sweet dishes
Mr and Mrs Tod	Pair silver spoons
Mr Hotson, I C S	Crick lamp
Mr Vernon	Cheque
Mr Payne	Four olive dishes with forks in case
Capt Hyde	Two silver frames
Mr and Mrs Dunn	Two silver and green vases
Mr and Mrs Selby	Lamp on China stand
Mr and Mrs Weldon	Fish slice and fork
Mr and Mrs Burke	Four glass and silver vases
The Hon'ble Mr Edgerley	Travelling clock
The Hon'ble Sir James and Lady Monteath	Silver tea service
The Hon'ble Mr and Mrs Hughes	Silver butter dish
Mr and Mrs Tata	Gold bracelet
Mr and Mrs Hall	Silver salver
Mr and Mrs Chanter	Silver box
The Hon'ble Mr and Mrs Lamb	Pair silver sweet dishes
Major Herbert	Silver frame
Baba Mya	China tea set
Mr and Mrs Greaves	Antique case of silver and gilded spoons
Mr and Mrs Gell	Silver and ivory crumb scoop
The Hon'ble Mr Justice and Mrs Aston	Silver bowl on stand
Mr and Mrs Turner	Silver filigree card case
The Hon'ble Mr Justice and Mrs Chandavarkar	Chinese tea service
Mr and Mrs Bosman	Lace and linen tray cloths
Major Collis Barry, I M S	Case of six silver liqueur glasses
Mr and Mrs Keatinge	Silver toast rack
Mr Cadell I.C.S.	Pair silver vases
Major Mills, R A M C	Carved camel
Mr Gokaldas Desai	Silver tea set and tray
Mr Manilal Jhaveri	Silver flower vase
Mr W L B Souter	Travelling clock
Mr Limji Banaji	Silver boat shaped vase
Mr A G Boyd	Silver napkin rings
Mr and Mrs Strangman	Silver cake basket
Mr G R Dabholkar	Silver inkstand
Mr Malabari	Silver vases and salt cellars and two brass trays
Dr Dunn	Tennyson's works
Mr and Mrs Stevens	Silver muffineers
Mr Martin	Silver butter dish
Mr and Mrs Leslie	Silver clock
Colonel Burke, I M S	Desert spoons and sugar sifter
Mr A S Aston	Silver mounted claret jug
Major and Mrs Street	Silver bow on stand
Mr and Mrs Percival	Water colour painting
Mr and Mrs Kent	Chinese panel silver tray

And many others.

THE RISE IN COTTON MILL SHARES.

THE SPECULATIVE FEVER.

THE "Indian Textile Journal," writing of the present position in the Bombay cotton industry states:—At present all mills are working full hours with no idle spindles on hand. Moreover, many have sold their products till the close of the year and have hedged or are hedging in cotton against the sales. Thus the profit is secure. This circumstance has led to a rise in the price of every mill concern, old and new, well managed and ill managed sound and unsound; so much so that the quotations at present are about 20 per cent. higher than they were at the commencement of the year. The rise in a few has been as high as 40 per cent. while in many it ranges from 12 to 30. One feature of this rise may, however, be noticed. The factories which kept up their profits and paid steady dividends throughout even the worst periods never went to a discount. Indeed they were considerably above their paid-up value. Their prices continued to move steadily upwards in striking contrast with the downward ones of many. The rise in the quotations of these mills is below the average of 20 per cent. It seems that the concerns which were largely at a discount or which had a moderate premium have gone up with a bound. We here see the element of speculation [illegible] and take this early opportunity to warn [illegible] against blindly "going in" for these. Their barometer is rising abnormally, which is not warranted. Investors, as a rule, are like a flock of sheep; where one has leaped, others will blindly follow, and a first sudden period of depression tells them how far they have burned their fingers. No doubt, the general rise is justified by the present favourable position of the mill industry. This rise, however, should be moderate and commensurate with the profits hoped to be realised. But it would argue want of ordinary sagacity, were the present condition of things allowed to reach an unsafe and unsound point. Some of the shares are really going up like a rocket; but we know the fate which befalls this kind of joint stock pyrotechnics. And nothing in our opinion is more to be condemned than the high fever now to be observed in the share market. We consider it an ominous sign and take this present opportunity to give a warning to bona-fide investors. They ought not to forget that the balance sheets of many a concern still show heavy balances to the debit of profit and loss account. That debit has first to be wiped out before a single rupee can be paid as dividend, so that this [illegible] [illegible] of the market in cotton mill shares is [illegible]. We deprecate it strongly and trust that [illegible] will pause and take breath before [illegible] and profitable investments [illegible] [illegible] the condition of the [illegible] [illegible] hope the warning will [illegible] [illegible] be an [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in mill shares.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

PRIVILEGE leave on full pay for one month from the 13th June is granted to the Honourable Mr. Justice H. F. Aston, I.C.S., Barrister-at-Law, Judge of his Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Bombay.

Captain E. G. S. Trotter, 102nd Prince of Wales' Own Grenadiers, has been appointed to hold charge of the office of Assistant Political Resident at Perim, in addition to his military duties, with effect from the 18th December 1904.

Captain T. X. Britten, 10th Mahratta Light Infantry, is appointed to be Cantonment Magistrate, Bhuj, in addition to his military duties, to exercise the powers of a Small Cause Court Judge.

Major E. St. A. Wake, Indian Army, Cantonment Magistrate, Poona and Kirkee, is granted privilege leave for three months with leave out of India in continuation for one year, with effect from the 1st June.

Lieutenant H. M. Davidson, 36th Jacob's Horse, is appointed to be Cantonment Magistrate at Jacobabad, in addition to his own duties, vice Captain V. G. Menzies.

Mr. K. A. Reinold, Acting Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay, is appointed to be a Justice of the Peace.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. V. Anderson, M. B., I. M. S., has been allowed an extension of furlough for six months.

Mr. E. L. Cappel, C.I.E., I.C.S., has been permitted to resign his Majesty's Covenanted Civil Service on the Bombay Establishment with effect from the 5th April.

Mr. J. E. Down, Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency, is granted, with effect from the 10th June or subsequently such privilege leave as may be due to him on th t date in combination with furlough to bring the combined period of absence up to twelve months.

Mr. C. A. B. Beatty, Assistant Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency, is granted, with effect from the 6th May or subsequently such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with special leave to bring the combined period of absence up to six months.

Mr. A. E. Cumming is appointed to be substantive pro tem, Judge of the Court of Small Causes, Karachi.

Mr. E. Sands is appointed to be substantive pro tem, City Magistrate, Karachi.

Mr. R. S. Tipnis, B.A., LL.B. (Bom), Judge and Sessions Judge, Thana, is appointed, in addition to his own duties, an Additional Sessions Judge in the Nasik Session Division.

Mr. J. B. Knight, M. Sc., is appointed to be Professor of Agriculture.

Mr. G. A. Gammie is appointed to be Economic Botanist.

Mr. J. B. Knight, M.Sc., Professor of Agriculture, is granted privilege leave of absence for six weeks.

Mr. L. J. Mountford, I. C. S., is appointed on special duty for the acquisition of the lands and properties required for the Bombay Port Trust new Railway and in connection with the trade of the Port at Mazgaon.

Mr. A. M. MacMillan, I. C. S., is appointed to be Assistant Collector, Kolaba.

The undermentioned officers passed the Lower Standard Departmental Examinations on the 14th March:—Mr. J. W. Smyth, I. C. S., Mr. Hamid Moizudin Abdul Ali I. C. S., Messrs. Smyth and Hamid M. Abdul Ali passed an examination in Sindhi.

Messrs. J. W. Smyth, I. C. S., and Hamid M. Abdul Ali, I. C. S., are appointed to be Assistant Collectors in Sind.

The undermentioned officers passed the Lower Standard Departmental Examination on the 14th March:—Passed in Part I. and with credit in Para II.—Mr. R. G. Gordon, I.C.S., Mr. L. Graham, I.C.S., Mr. W. Greer, I.C.S., Passed in Part I. and II.—Mr G Wiles, I.C.S., Passed with credit in Part II.—Mr. G. H. Garrett, I.C.S., Mr. M. Webb, I.C.S., Messrs. Gordon and Wiles passed an examination in Gujarati, Mr. Graham in Kanarese and Mr. Greer in Marathi.

Messrs. R. G. Gordon, I.C.S., and G. Wiles, I.C.S., are appointed to be Assistants to the Collector of Ahmedabad, Mr. W. Greer, I.C.S., to be Assistant to the Collector of Ahmednagar, and Mr. L. Graham, I.C.S., to be Assistant to the Collector of Dharwar.

With effect from 9th October last, Mr. G. W. Hatch, I. C. S., is appointed First Assistant, vice Mr. McNeill, I. C. S., appointed Registrar, Co-operative Credit Societies, Bombay Presidency. Mr. C. V. Vernon, I. C. S., is appointed to be Second Assistant, vice Mr. Hatch, promoted.

With effect from 20th November 1904, Mr. A. S. A. Westropp, I. C. S., is appointed to be First Assistant, vice Mr. B. C. H. Calcraft-Kennedy, promoted. Mr. G. Monteath, I C S, is appointed to be Second Assistant, vice Mr. Westropp, promoted.

With effect from 5th December 1904. Mr. J. L. Rieu, I.C.S., is appointed to be First Assistant, vice Mr. F. X. DeSouza, I C S, promoted, and to continue to be seconded while holding the post of Manager, Sind Incumbered Estates. Mr. E. Clements, I C S, to be First Assistant, vice Mr. Rieu, seconded. Mr. C. E. Palmer, I C S, to be Second Assistant, vice Mr. Clements. promoted.

Mr. E. C. Waterfield, I C S, has been allowed an extension of leave on medical certificate for four months.

With effect from 1st February. Mr. J. H. E. Tupper, I.C.S., to be Second Assistant, vice Mr. P. J. Mead, I.C.S., appointed to be Talukdari Settlement Officer.

In consequence of the appointment of Mr. J. P. Vaughan, I.C.S., to be Manager, Sind Incumbered Estates, the following reversions are ordered with effect from 24th February,

Mr. E. Clements, I.C.S., to be Second Assistant and Mr. J. H. E. Tupper, I.C.S., to revert to the Supernumerary List.

COOK AND STEWARD.

CAPTAIN CHARLES CLARKE of the s.s. New Holm deposed before Mr. Kersondas Chabildas, Third-Presidency Magistrate, that Peter Andrew, a missing steward was the only coloured servant in his ship who bore an excellent character. He had been in the ship for ten months and the rest of the crew bore animosity to him because he was black, and therefore they wanted to get rid of him. They did not like the face of Peter, who was charged before the Magistrate, by Inspector Hassan with voluntarily causing hurt by means of dangerous instrument to Joseph Davis, a cook on board the same vessel when on the high sea between Suez and Bombay, on the morning of the 10th instant, Complainant's story was that on the morning of the day in question he asked the accused to fill for him a water tank. The latter refused, whereupon he got wild and called him bad names. Without returning the abuse, the accused took up a bar of iron and hit him with it. Then he snatched a big carving knife from a knife and fork box that stood on an elevated seat. With this knife the accused dealt the complainant three blows causing a wound on his left arm, one under the left arm-pit and a third on the back. The wounds were superficial and were treated by the Captain. When the assault was committed there was no other eye-witness to it. Shortly after the scuffle, several witnesses came on the scene in response to a cry from the complainant, who was seen bleeding from his wounds. The accused was defended by Mr. B. Dhondi, pleader The defence was that when the scuffle ensued, the men closed with each other and the complainant fell on the box containing knives and forks, which were scattered about. Some evidence, besides that of the Captain having been led, the Magistrate allowed the case to be compounded on the accused offering Rs. 15 as compensation to the complainant.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

AT a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 11th instant the following business was transacted:—A letter from the Chief Engineer, requested sanction to take in hand the work of repairing the ground floor of the Traffic Offices, provision for which has been made in the current year's budget.

The estimate of the probable cost of the work amounted to Rs. 2,775. The work was sanctioned.

DREDGING PLANT.

The Chief Engineer, requested sanction to take in hand the undermentioned works, provision for which has been made in the year's Budget:—Dredging Plant, Teredo—New hoist chain Rs. 1,800 New bottom tumbler Rs. 900 Cast steel plates (4) for top tumbler Rs. 700 New Links (30) Rs. 2,000 Total Rs. 5,400. Kuphus Large new buckets (5) Rs. 3,500 New links (40) Rs. 2,500 Total Rs. 6,000. Octopus New lip plates for buckets (10) Rs. 500. Sanction was given to the work for expenditure from depreciation funds at page 60 of the Budget.

THE PORT TRUST RAILWAY.

A letter was read from the Officiating Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 6th April stating, for the information of the Trustees, that the Railway Board intimate that his Majesty's Secretary of State for India, has, in his despatch No. 13, Railway, dated the 17th February 1905, sanctioned the commencement of work on the Bombay Harbour Branch Railway from Kurla to Mazagon together with the Mahim link. The letter was recorded.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 7th April 1905.	Total from 1st to 7th April 1905.	For week ending 7th April 1904.	Total from 1st to 7th April 1904.
Vessels piloted into harbour.	28	28	19	19
Do. „ out of „	25	25	22	22
Do. transported	18	18	28	28
Do. attended to	1	1	...	...
Do. [illegible]	1	1	—	—

THE crown forests of Russia comprise 30,000,00 [illegible] belonging to the Czar and 303,000,000 farmed by the [illegible] exchequer. The Czar employs [illegible] who cut 12,000,000 tons a year, chiefly for firewood.

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BOMBAY CORPORATION.

AN adjourned meeting of the Bombay Corporation was held in the Municipal Council Hall, yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, presiding.

CLERK ROAD OVERBRIDGE.

The Corporation considered the report of their Committee regarding the proposed construction of Clerk Road overbridge. The report states that Government in their letter to the Commissioner dated the 5th August 1904. (Public Works Department), enquire if the Municipal Corporation agree to furnish the Municipal land required for the bridge and approaches, and meet the expenditure on the acquisition of private properties and allied charges, necessary for the construction of the Bridge; but as pointed out by the Commissioner in his letter to the Corporation dated the 28th September, 1904, it is the Railway Company, who should provide the entire funds for the whole work, including purchase of land, buildings, &c. in addition to the cost of construction and diversion of water and gas pipes, sewers and storm-water drains, &c. There is, however, as the Commissioner states, no objection to the Municipal lands required for the bridge and its approaches being handed over to the Company. They will revert to the Municipality when the bridge and approaches are constructed and made over to them. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the Commissioner be asked to inform Government in terms of his letter above quoted.

The Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola proposed that the report be approved and adopted and a copy of it be forwarded to the Commissioner with a request that he should inform Government in the terms of his letter, dated the September 1904.

Mr. J. B. Petit seconded the resolution, which was carried.

LOCATION OF THE QUEEN'S STATUE.

In accordance with a notice of motion Dr. N. N. Katrak moved: That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to report whether it would not be desirable with the concurrence of Government to locate the late Queen's Statue on a site more prominent than the one on which it now stands, especially in view of the approaching visit of their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and if so, to suggest what site or sites would be the most suitable for the purpose, and what steps should be taken for the removal of the statue from its present position. He said the statue was one of the finest in India and it would be better if it was located in a less secluded place than the one it now occupied. He suggested that the Flora Fountain would be the appropriate site for the statue.

The proposition fell to the ground for want of a seconder.

CHOWPATTY FOOTPATH.

Mr. T. W. Cuffe moved that a Committee be appointed to consider the advisability of widening the Chowpatty footpath.

The proposition was agreed to.

VICTORIA GARDENS.

Mr. N. N. Saher moved that in the opinion of the Corporation the Victoria Gardens be not closed to the public before 7-30 p. m. during summer months. He said the Gardens were closed just at the time when people went there. He considered that it would be a boon to the public if the Gardens were kept open until 7-30 p. m. during summer months.

Dr. A. G. Viegas seconded the proposition.

Mr. James Macdonald opposed the motion. He said if the Gardens were kept open longer than at present, plants would be stolen and the place would become a resort for many undesirable characters. He suggested that those who could not go to the Gardens in the evenings, should do so in the mornings.

The Municipal Commissioner suggested that the resolution should be so altered as to give him an opportunity of making inquiries into the matter and ascertain from the Garden officials whether there was any danger of the place being resorted to by undesirable characters, should it be kept open a little longer than at present. He was in favour of allowing the public to enjoy the Gardens during the evenings if it was possible to do so.

At the suggestion of the President, Mr. Saher altered the proposition to the effect that the Commissioner, be requested to see if he could keep the Gardens open till 7-30 p.m.

Dr. Sakhia strongly objected to the Gardens being kept open till late hours, for by so doing, not only the animals would be disturbed but, the Gardens would be attended by doubtful characters.

Mr. D. E. Wacha was in favour of keeping the Gardens open till 7-30 p.m. He said if the animals were in danger of being molested, the Commissioner should be asked to place more sepoys to keep the public away from them. In summer months there was twilight until 7-30 p.m. and many people, and especially mill hands for whom the Gardens were intended, could not go there before 6-30 p.m. He would ask that the Gardens should be kept open ever till 8 o'clock in the evening.

The proposition was adopted.

TEMPORARY PLAGUE HOSPITALS.

Mr. D. G. Padhye proposed that the Commissioner be requested to report in consultation with the Health Officer, whether any, and what, steps should be taken to provide, for use in epidemics other than plague, (1) separate temporary hospitals at convenient centres in the City; and (2) separate suitable ambulances for carrying patients to hospitals, so as to minimise the inconveniences and discomforts arising from a policy of compulsory isolation of patients, whenever the Commissioner is obliged to adopt that policy in the interest of the health of the City.

Mr. D. E. Wacha pointed out that the other day a gharriwalla was sent to jail by the Presidency Magistrate for carrying a small-pox patient in his gharry, and if the Municipality carried small-pox patients in the same ambulances as were used for plague patients, they rendered themselves liable to prosecution.

The Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola was of opinion that separate ambulances should be provided for separate diseases.

Mr. Padhye said if temporary hospitals were established at convenient centres, the inconvenience of carrying patients to distant hospitals would be averted.

The proposition on being put to the vote was carried.

This concluded the business before the Corporation.

A BENGALI OPERA IN LUSHAI.

A CORRESPONDENT, writing from Lungleh, South Lushai Hills, on April 10th says:—Lungleh saw April come in like the proverbial lamb. For one night only castes and creeds were set aside. Bengal suffered from no partition. Johnny Gurkha and head-cutting Lushai grinned each other into countenance; even the sleep-loving sahib graced the performance by his august presence till night and gorgeous costumes, clever actors, brilliant illumination and enchanting music combined to render the entertainment a complete success. Beaja Lila, or the acts of the child Krisna in Brindaban—by that renowned singer and poet Babu Moti Lal Roy of Bhatsala—was the subject matter of the performance. The play described how Krishna was brought up by Nanda Ghosh and his wife Jashoda in Brindaban; how Krishna astonished the whole world by his many wonderful acts when he was a mere boy; how one day a Hindu priest succeeded in inducing Jashoda to keep her boy Krishna bound and watched while he, the priest partook of his meal, lest the god might touch him while eating; how the child deity miraculously freed himself from his bonds, and defied the priest by partaking of the forbidden food; how Krishna loved the maid Radhika and took her to wife; how the Dotyas went to war with the gods, and attempted to dethrone Indra, the King of Heaven; and the final catastrophe in which many heroes fought and fell, Radhica the woman warrior, alone surviving, encountering a number of the Dotya champions and, as a good local authority will have it, conquering in the battle. So runs the story.

It now only remains to award the credit for the inception and undertaking of the night's amusement to whom it is due. Babu Chandra Moni Patni, a popular and influential gentleman of some musical repute, took upon himself the whole management of the opera and acquitted himself exceedingly well in this wearisome capacity. The orchestra under such a conductor could not fail to please, and the singing of the boy chorus was at least as good as is usual in performances of this class. The proceedings were further enlivened by the introduction during an interval between the acts of the play of a farce cleverly presented by Babu Ishwar Chandra Sen and a merry little Gurkha, both actors being cleverly disguised in Lushai costume, and much appreciation was accorded to their able burlesque and subtle impersonation of the characters they represented.

The end came at an early hour in the morning, and the tired actors enjoyed, let us hope, a little of that well-merited 'sleep of the just' before night's pale splendour succumbed to the irresistible might of those fiery steeds that draw forth the rosy chariot of the sun.

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THE DUKE OF ORLEANS.

"MONARCHICAL TRUTH AND REPUBLICAN ERROR."

AT a meeting of the Presidents of the Royalist Committees of the Seine Department, held in Paris, M. Paul Bezine, the chief of the Duke of Orleans' political bureau, read an interesting letter from the Duke to his representatives. It was dated Woodnorton, March 15, and begins as follows:—

Gentlemen.—In the course of the past five years the sufferings of the Fatherland have redoubled, increasing alike the pains of my exile and my consciousness of my duty. More than ever, Monarchical truth should be opposed to Republican error. Specious and transitory truces cannot modify the course of events. Stronger than the designs of man, the essential vice of the system itself draws the Republican regime towards its fatal end, which is anarchy.

After some further strictures on the Republic, and a declaration that the Monarchy, as understood by himself, is alone capable of restoring order in France, the Duke alludes to the religious question saying:—

"Whatever may be the future methods of its relations with civil society, the Catholic Church, placed outside the pale of political struggles, and consequently all the more venerable, has a right to live in full doctrinal and disciplinary independence, under the legitimate authority of its spiritual chief, the sovereign Pontiff. To despoil it of its churches, where for so many centuries, its people have prayed, and of the privileges which were justly allowed it, would be an odious iniquity. The Monarchy would replace the era of mean persecution by a regime of justice and goodwill, respecting religious liberty. It would know how to maintain, at the same time the prerogatives of the State and to guarantee to the Church the free exercise of its divine mission. A similar regime would be applied to other religions. The reform which would be realised would be the much-desired separation of Freemasonry from the State."

The Duke of Orleans then informs the army that, under his rule, spying would be abolished. He promises also decentralisation and an equitable redistribution of all taxes, freed from inquisitorial methods. In conclusion, he adds that he is still hopeful. Time, he says, is working on his behalf, and the number of discontented Republicans, is increasing daily. Strong in the lessons of history, heir of those who made France, the Duke says that he has but one ambition:—To serve my country. May the hour, he adds, marked by God for me to devote myself to its salvation come. I shall be ready.

THE GREAT DIAMOND.

HOW IT WAS BROUGHT OVER.

A PARDONABLE amount of pride is felt by the authorities of St. Martin's-le-Grand over the fact that to the British postal service was entrusted the duty of transporting from South Africa and delivering the famous Cullinan diamond, the largest precious stone ever found, and valued at upwards of a million sterling.

It now appears that the stone was not handed over to Mr. Neumann at Waterloo, but was delivered in the ordinary way of packets coming by registered post.

As to its transmission it seems that unknown to anyone except the directors of the company in South Africa, an ordinary looking packet was handed in at the Johannesburg Post Office shortly before the English mail, which arrived on Saturday, left the mining centre. It was addressed to S. Neumann and Co., London, E.C., and the messenger, acting on instructions, had it registered. It weighed a little over a pound, as the charge is at the rate of a penny a half-ounce, and twopence extra for Registration, the sum paid to the Post Office was about three shillings. As soon as it was stamped the packet was placed with the other registered parcels deposited in the mail bag, and sent off to Capetown, where it was transferred to the steamer. Nothing further was heard of it until Saturday, when a telegram from Mr. Neumann announced its safe arrival.

The packet contained the great diamond, but no further precaution were taken for its safe transit. The postal authorities were, in fact, quite unaware that they had been entrusted with such a valuable consignment, and no greater care was bestowed upon it than upon any other packet. As the Post Office would not on any account have accepted the risk, the question of insurance was not mentioned to the authorities. The diamond, nevertheless was insured apart from the postal authorities for £500,000.

The Comptroller at St. Martins-le-Grand confessed that he was quite as much in the dark as any one, but he was glad that the stone had been safely delivered. "It goes without saying," he remarked "that we have never had such a valuable single diamond to carry, because it is the biggest that has ever been discovered. But we frequently get a quantity of small precious stones in a parcel which might be nearly as valuable as the big diamond." Asked what precautions were taken with registered packets en route, the Comptroller said the mail-bags containing them were dealt with in precisely the same manner as the other bags. It was only when they were opened in this country that any differentiation took place.

It is desired to keep the present whereabouts of the diamond a secret. No decision has yet been come to as to whether the stone will be exhibited or not. "We are waiting," said Mr. Neumann, "the instructions of the directors before doing anything in the matter. The ultimate destination of the Cullinan is likewise undecided. It is obvious, however, that if it is to be placed upon the market for disposal in the ordinary course it will be necessary to cut it into a number of smaller stones."

THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, APRIL 20.

The depression entering North-West India, yesterday, has travelled into the Punjab and given light local rain in Baluchistan and the Kashmir Himalayas. A few light showers have fallen in Madras, the East Deccan, the Central Provinces, Assam, and Bengal. Narayanganj reports 1 inch, Jalpaiguri and Tezpur ½ inches. Local rain may be expected in the West Himalayas, and the adjacent submontane districts and is possible in Madras and Bengal.

THE WEATHER AT MATHERAN.

The following are the weather observations at Matheran:—

Date April	Temperature Max.	Temperature Min.	Rainfall Inches	Rainfall Cents
19th..........	90°	72°	...	..

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 20TH APRIL.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has risen over a large area the rise having been brisk in Central India and at Jacobabad, Saugor, Hoshangabad, Khandwa, Deesa and Malegaon and slight in most other places. The barometer is ·01 to ·07 in excess of normal over nearly the whole country lying to the south of Latitude 24°.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to strong at Raipur, Poona, Neemuch, Rajkot, Dwarka, Jamnagar, Bhuj and Karachi and moderate to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are.—Maximum 7° in excess at Jacobabad and 5° to 7° in defect at Veraval, Raipur, Nagpur, Surat, Mormugao and Trichnopoly; minimum 6° in excess at Sirsa, Jhansi, and 5° to 8° in defect at Cawnpore, Ahmedabad, Bhavnagar Para, Nagpur and Ratnagiri. The highest temperature in the shade was 112° at Jacobabad and the lowest 66° at Cawnpore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy at Negapatam, Colombo, Masulipatam, Bangalore, Hoshangabad, Jubbulpore, Veraval, Delhi and Sirsa.

Rain.—Negapatam, Cochin, Calicut, Jubbulpore and Jacobabad report light to moderate showers.

Weather appears to be fine and settled in all districts.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade; ...	5	1	9
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	33	24	35
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	31	23	46
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	22	17	22
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagapada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagapada	36	29	57
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	24	16	29
G Mahim and Worli..........	23	18	27
Water Division..........	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown...	0	0	0
Hospitals..........	0	14	22
Total	174	142	247
Total plague deaths to date...	237 707	240,452	
Same date last year	94	84	155

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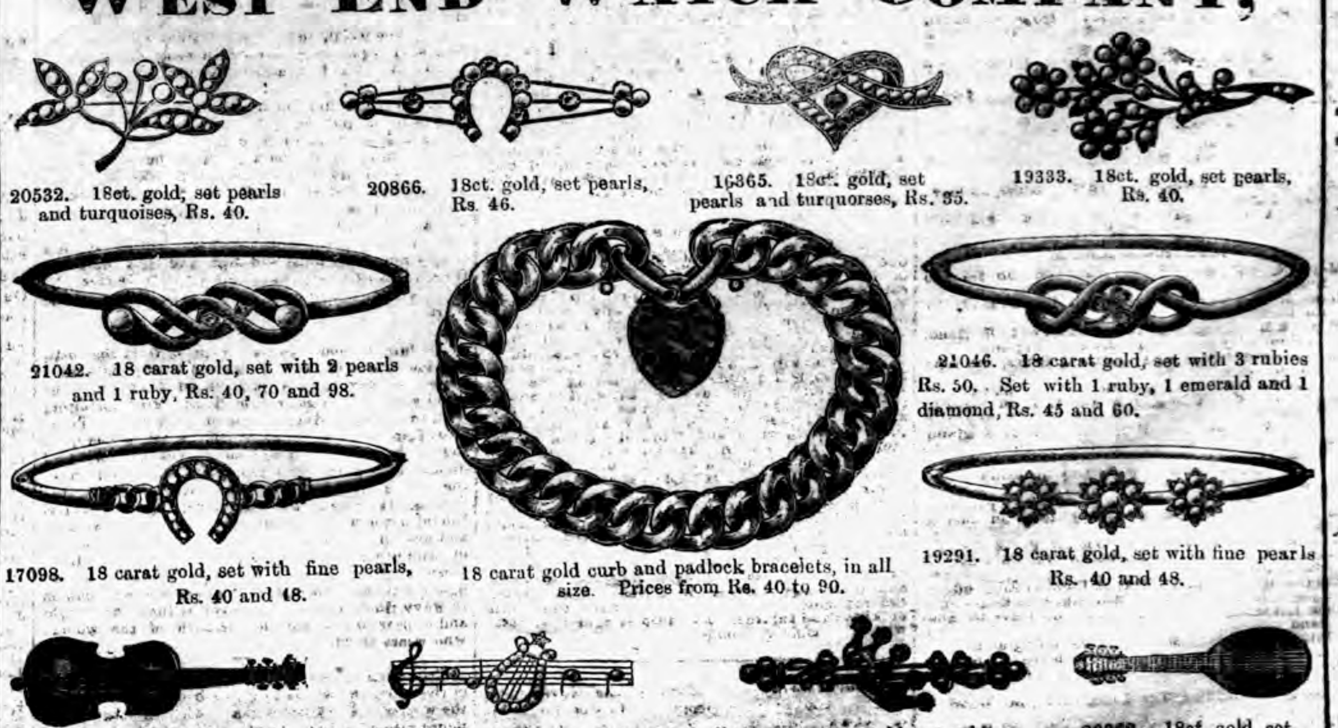

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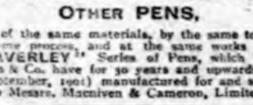

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With his glasses on, the famous bass-baritone is curiously like the United States President. Once, when walking out in America, he was astonished to find himself being stared at wonderingly by the people he met, some of whom, feeling unable to decide on the spur of the moment that he was not the President, but only like him, raised their hats to him just to be on the safe side, but did it in an amusingly "conditional" manner, as if to convey the intelligence to him that he was on no account to accept the courtesy unless he was really entitled to it. Not that Mr. Watkin Mills found the Americans wanting in courtesy to him in a general way. Their feeling towards English singers is of the friendliest kind possible, and their devotion to music is as keen as their appreciation of it. But Americans, says Mr. Mills, don't really like taking their hats off to any man but their President. It is true enough that, when talking of a singer or an actor they think a lot of, they will exclaim, "Ah! I take off my hat to him!" But the feeling is purely theoretical; and that is why Watkin Mills, when half mistaken for Roosevelt, met with a reception so comical for its careful expression of non-committing admiration and respect.

Mr. Watkin Mills's companions in the tour he sets sail for at the end of next week will be sure to rise successfully to the high expectations and requirements of the people of Melbourne, to whose ears they make the first appeal on their journey. Miss Edith Kirkwood, the soprano, is thoroughly experienced in oratorio and ballad work, and it may be remembered that she made a successful appearance last season at the Royal Italian Opera. Mr. Harold White, a pupil of the wonderful Garcia, is a tenor, whose fine voice has assisted many an important London concert to success and Miss Gertrude Lonsdale, the contralto of the party, is also a singer of high reputation. It is nothing out of the way for Mr. Watkin Mills to sing, in response to the demand of his audience, no less than sixteen songs at one performance, but at a concert in Melbourne last year he sang eighteen, and as this unusual performance brought him up very dangerously near to the time he had arranged to leave the city by special train to fulfil an engagement some hundred of miles away, he started his vast audience with "God Save the King," which the Australians love to sing when they are gathered together in a great body, and left them to finish it while he escaped to the station. Throughout the whole of his forthcoming tour Mr. Mills will make a special feature of Mme. Liza Lehmann's song cycles The Daisy Chain and In a Persian Garden.

It is interesting to track this successful singer back to the days of his boyhood, for few would have dreamed who sat in the small Gloucestershire church where the Mills's family pretty well represented the entire choir, that the tiniest member of it was on his way even then to the position he now enjoys. It is to the training he received in this little church at Painswick, the pretty town in the Cotswold Hills, where he was born, and to his subsequent experience of choral work at the Wells Cathedral, where he sang for eight years, that Mr. Watkin Mills attributes his success in oratorio. It gave his voice that solidity and that perfection of health which make Handel's longest runs easy of accomplishment to him in one breath, and it established in power of reading which enables him to sing off new work with an ease which would give one the impression that he had been acquainted with it for months rather than minutes. For a man who is yet young—for he is nearer forty than fifty—Watkin Mills can point to some heavy scoring in the artistic sport of singing.

One of his most notable achievements is that of having sung the Messiah in Albert Hall forty times his first appearance in the work being made with Valeria, Patey, and Edward Lloyd. His physical fitness he attributes to his fifteen years' flirtation with the alluring Mistress Golf, and he is looking greedily forward to the links of Australia, which he considers the finest in the world. Mr. Mills has something to say of Sydney which, in its two separate ways, is interesting alike to the profession of entertainment and the profession of idleness. Sydney, he says, is a great theatre-going and concert-going city its inhabitants seem to recognise no limit when it comes to spending money on enjoying themselves at the theatres and the halls. But it is positively crowded with tramps in the last stages of misery. These, he regrets to have found, are mostly "English goods," and an alarming percentage of them are the ne'er-do-well sons of noblemen. It has more than once been his sad experience to "tip" a beggar from Debrett for opening his carriage-door!

Mrs. Brown-Potter must have spent a fortune, and not such a small one either, on her production at the Savoy, of Jean Richepin's pictorial play concerning the life and death of Louis XV's third favourite, the Du Barri. The quick rise and the quicker fall of Jeannette Vauberaier, who in turn gave her services to the hat shop in the Rue St. Honore, her body and soul to the King of France, and her pretty head to the Revolutionists are illustrated at the Savoy by a series of pictures which for richness of colour and cost have probably never been surpased even on the stage of his Majesty's. No more charming period than that Louis XV. of France can be selected by the student of costume, furniture, and decorations, says the little book in the Rose du Bari cover, which is presented with the programmes at the Savoy. Truly; and no more extravagant period either. The magnificence of the scenes in Du Barri almost take one's breath away. The paintings of Watteau, of Boucher, and of Lancret are at the Savoy presented in the life, and since the very essence of luxury appears to have been the only theme upon which these artists lavished their attention it may be imagined by those who have not already seen the new play that in one sense, at all events, there is money in it. The fete scene in the third act, The Park at Louveciennes, is an animated copy of Lancret's picture of The Ball which hangs in the Museum at Berlin; and that picture is a record on canvas of one of the most extravagant events of a most extravagant age!

But "Du Barri" is not entirely a series of beautiful animated pictures. There is the storh which is in the shop girl's promotion (if suco it can be called) to Royal favour and in her fall from power into the relentless hands of the First Revolutionists; and there are the players. Mrs. Brown-Potter, as the Du Barri, probably falls in with every one's notion of the character of Louis XV.'s mistress, but it does not follow because an historical figure is accurately represented on the stage that the figure must be attractive from a dramatic point of view, and it will occur to many visitors to the Savoy that the closer the actress keeps to the Du Barri the farther she removes herself from the chance of getting at the heart of her audience. There is nothing in the least bit touching about that incident of the thirty thousand francs in the second act. The Du Barri is alleged to hand over to Mme. de Mirepoix—"in a spirit of girlish generosity"—The money which the King has only a minute before presented to herself. The quick transference of the gift strikes one as a bit of heartless and wanton extravagance, the act of a woman who would pay anybody's money away to be "thought well of" and would not even do that without feeling perfectly sure that she could wheedle double the amount out of the giver within the hour.

As the Du Barri, Mrs. Brown Potter is wholly successful; but the Du Barri herself is wholly a failure when it comes to stirring up our emotions and our sympathies. It may seem very ungallant to say so and, perhaps, rather wicked too; but it does not occur to one to feel in the slightest degree sorry for the lady when she goes by in the tumbril to her execution. By the scenic artist and the costumier Mrs. Potter has been served liberally enough, but by the dramatist she has been treated with the greatest neglect. If the Du Barrie had only a quarter of the dramatic opportunities which were presented to the actress in Pragliacci, it would be something to be grateful for. Mr. Gilbert Hare's Louis is quiet, dignified, and compact Mr. W. L. Abingdon makes a brave show in the sartorial magnificence and the immoral cunning of Jean Du Barri, and his admirers will be delighted to know that the adaptor of M. Richepin's play has not forgotten to provide him with the exclamation "Curse you and a number of other parts are well and truly played by Mr. Gerald Robertshaw, Mr. William Devereux, Miss Elsie Chester, and Mr. Herbert Vyvyan.

How young—or, at all events, young-looking—are some of the theatrical managers of to-day. Men run theatres and companies now who some few years ago would not have been considered old enough to get up private theatricals. Strangers who visit the Palace Theatre stare in blank astonishment when they are told that the slight, fair-haired youth with the fresh complexion, who mostly stands where the late Charles Morton used mostly to sit, is manager of that important establishment. Mr. Alfred Butt does not look a day older than five-and-twenty. But another Butt—Mr. Ralph le Butt, who was not long ago managing for Mrs. Lewis Waller—Waller does not look a day older than eighteen! Then there is Mr. Otho Stuart, one of the most boyish looking of all, who is at the head of no less a dramatic enterprise than the great Shakespearian season at the Adelphi.

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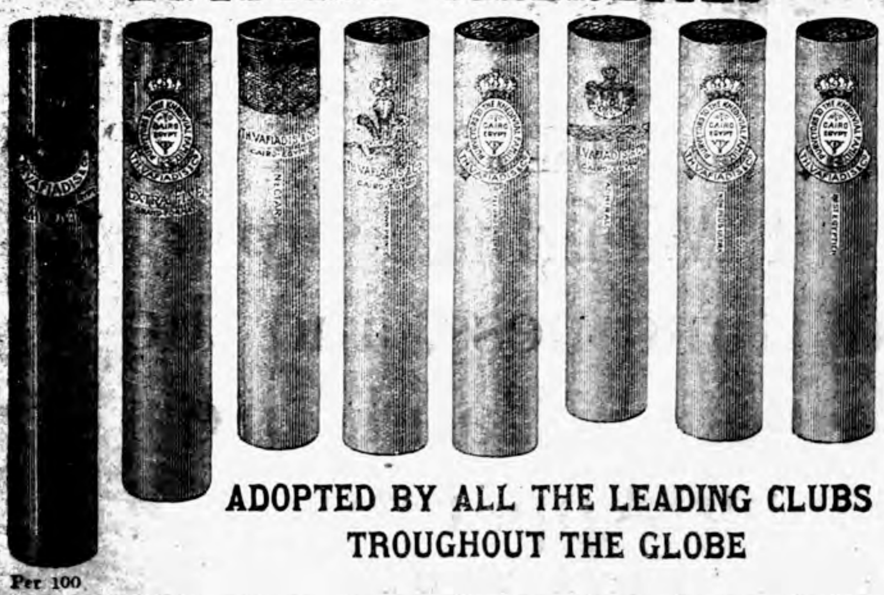

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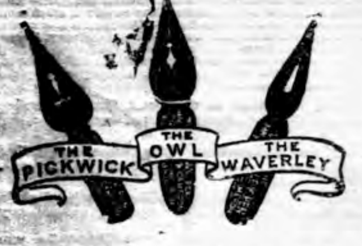

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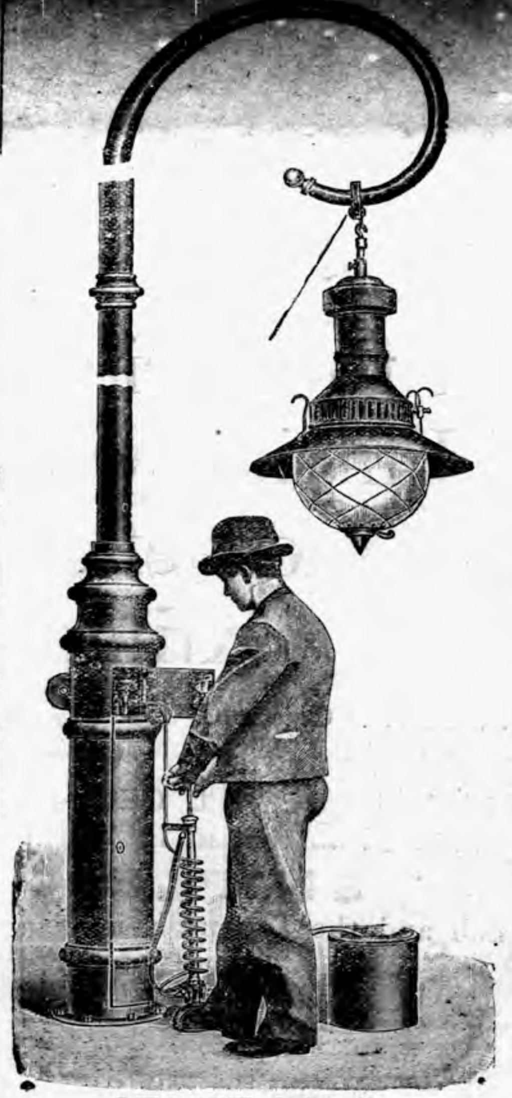

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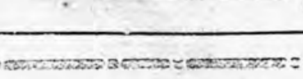

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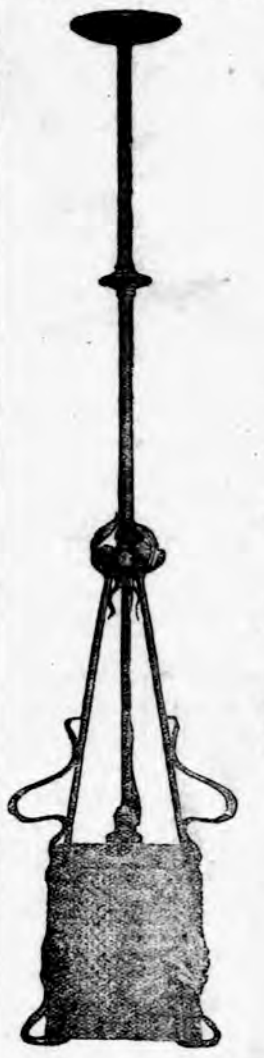

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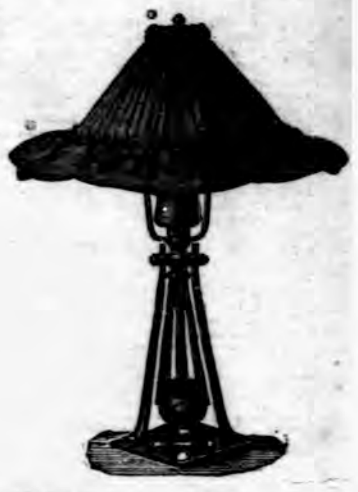

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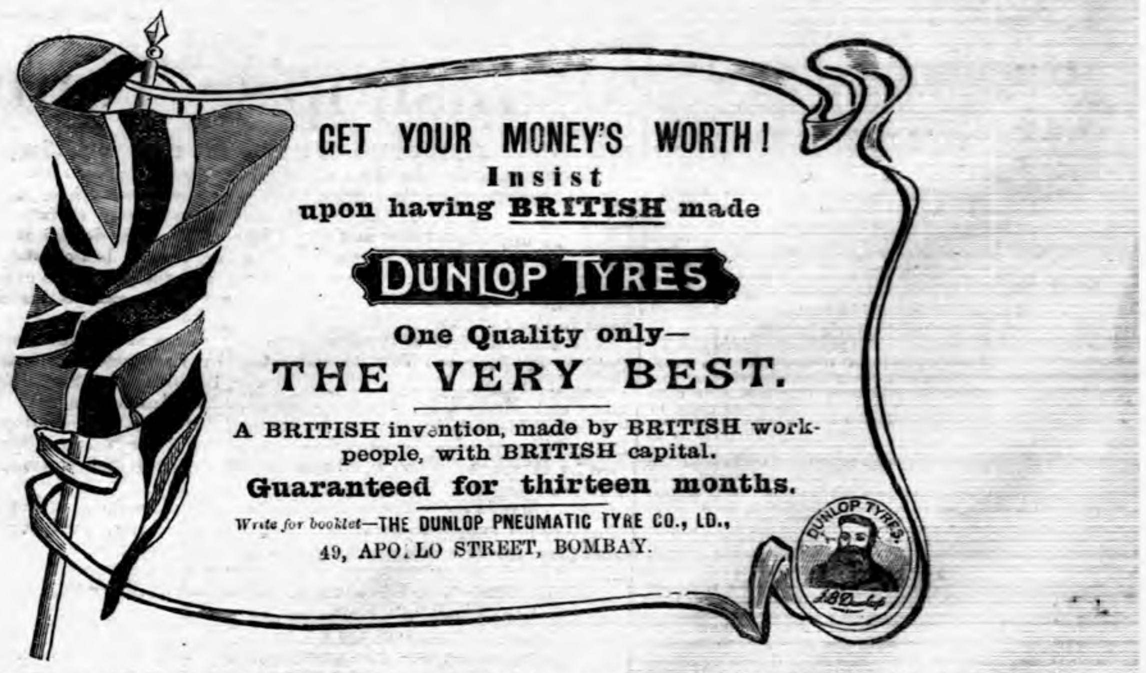

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